Fears of

trouble

for top

US bank

By Wayne Lintott

The Continental Illinois Bank and Trust

Company of Chicago, the eighti largest bank in America and one of the leading 40 in the world, was fighting a growing wave of

speculation yesterday that it is in financial difficulty.

The bank was hindered in

doing business on the wholesale money market and its share price dropped sharply on Wall

The United States authorities issued hurried statements in an

while the bank refused to make any comment after having denied that it had applied for

bankruptcy protection earlier in

throughout the world, including

in London's financial markets, and employs 12,000 people. Declared assets are £30 billion

and outstanding liabilities amount to £27 billion.

The bank has suffered heavy

losses from loans to the US energy industries and last month sold its credit card business for £724m. The senior

management resigned and were

On Wall Street suggestions that a consortium of foreign

banks, led by Mitsubishi Bank

of Japan, was mounting a rescue were quickly denied by the United States Comptroller of Currency, Mr C. Todd Congress. He also said that he was unaware of any major changes in Continental Illinois trading

Spokesmen for the bank were

also unprepared to discur's whether Continental had as 1-

proached the Federal Reserve

A leading dealer on the New

York money markets told The Times: "Some banks are not taking Continental Illinois's paper at the moment."

This usually signals that the bank's status is in doubt in the vital inter-bank money markets.

However, leading American

banking analysts were quick to defend the bank. Mr Lawrence

Fuller, analyst at leading brok-

ers Drexel Burnham Lambert,

said: "The rumours are un-founded, The bank has some

problems with non-performing

oans. But even if earnings are

not meaningful, the bank has

enormous hidden assets that

At the end of 1983 the bank

had to increase its reserves for

potential losses to £290m. But

nental's capital ratio - the

major indication of its underly-ing strength – was still 5.8 per cent, an acceptable ligure

compared with other leading

However, at the end of the

first quarter of this year the bank was holding £1.6 billion in

what the Americans term non-

performing loans, loans that are

not being repaid or are awaiting

US Banks.

US officials stressed that Conti- k

hev can convert if pece

Board for assistance

Continental

guickly replaced.



Feet into miles Pat Butcher and David Powell preview the 21,000-strong London Marathon - the greatest marathon ever staged

Trishize Who's Irish when it comes to choosing top Irish authors?

Rolls-Royce to get £60m aid

The Government is to inject £60m of public money into the state-owned Rolls-Royce company to help with Britain's participation in the five-nation V2500 aero-engine project. The aid will be repaid as a levy on

Britain starts air fare war

Britain is starting an air fare price war in the EEC by surrendering its right to inter-fere in the fixing of rates for flights within the Community. Fares between London and Amsterdam have already been cut by two-thirds.

Rail threat

Railway unions are to announce plans today for disruption of services over a pay dispute. The first action will begin in two weeks unless a compromise is

Tax scare lifted

Government in Commons statement quashed persistent rumours that it was about to end tax relief on hump sum payments from pension funds, taken on retirement.

WPC verdict

WPC Yvonne Fletcher was unlawfully killed by a bullet fired from a window of the Libyan People's Bureau, an inquest decided

Inquest, back page **Reuters trustees**

The trustees responsibe for keeping Reuters independent when the news and business information agency goes public next month, have been named

Pound falls

The pound touched another low against the dollar, falling 1.5 cents to \$1.3750 before recovering slightly to close 50 points down at \$1.3850 Page 19

Spring break

The House of Commons will rise for the spring adjournment on Friday, May 25 and return on Monday, June 4. The House of Lords rises on May 24. Parliamentary report, page 4

Agostinho dies

Joaquim Agostinho, the Portuguese cyclist, has died from head unjuries 10 days after crashing during the Tour of Algarve race.

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Police preparing clampdown on pit violence

outside pits in the county because of a support of the nine-week-old pit strike "dramatic change" in miners attitudes

◆ Violent incidents include an attempt by pickets to overturn a coach taking 20 NCB way to Ravenscraig and charged 292 with office staff, mostly women, to work

• Police in Derbyshire are considering • Miners' leaders are expected to ask putting a limit on numbers picketing transport unions for sympathy action in

Derbyshire police are con-sidering limiting the numbers of striking miners picketing pits and may adopt the policy of stopping flying pickets on the road to counter a "dramatic road to counter a "dramatic winched on to identify working change" in the attitude of miners. miners involved in the dispute.

Mr Parrish's remarks fol-Mr. Alfred Parish, Chief lowed two days in which a Constable of Derbyshire, indi-number of serious incidents led cating a new hardline approach police to reconsider their

not prepared to allow "intimidation by numbers" or the act of violence and sabotage which to an NCB office at Duchmanapparently by pickets in their cars, and stones were thrown through the windows, slightly injuring several occupants. An evidence suggesting that at least attempt was then made to some striking miners are now overturn the coach before its adopting increasingly desperate driver managed to escape with his bus. Mr Parrish said that At Blidworth Colliery, Not-tinghamshire, the National Coal the women inside had been

Mr Parish said that pickets arrested in north Derbyshire so far were Derbyshire miners rather than outsiders. Until now, the force had not as a miners leaving for work, sub-jecting them to verbal abuse. matter of policy, tried to prevent miners legally picketing Ninteen pickets were arrested or tried to prevent free move-

ment. But when almost 5,000 pickets could turn up at a colliery, he was "not prepared to allow intimidation by num bers of that kind".

"What I am saying is that iF there is clear intelligence or evidence of growing number of pickets which we believe will lead to a breach of the peace at NCB pits and property, we will try and prevent it by turning He added that NCB premises

isolated areas had been attacked in the night and equipment damaged. Police were doing everything they could to prevent such acts but it

Asked what Derbyshire police would do if miners on their way to picket a colliery were asked to turn back, and refused, he said: "Let us wait

It is understood the change in tactics Derbyshire police have in mind would be to stop miners making their way to a local pit if it is considered there are already enough present.

292 charged at Ravenscraig

From Our Correspondent, Glasgow

yesterday after eight buses carrying them tothe Ravenscraig steel works at Motherwell were intercepted by Strathclyde

by his force, said that he was not prepared to allow "intimi-

had increased in the area in the

strike neared the end of its

ninth week, there was further

Board reported that striking

miners, mainly from outside the

coalfield, had adopted the tactic

of moving away from the pit entrance to picket the homes of

Yesterday, as the miners'

The miners, from Fyfe, were stopped on the A80 near Stepps. They disembarked, sat down and linked arms, blocking the road. Police appeals for them to move were ignored and six busloads were then arrested.

They were taken to police stations in Glasgow and charged. A report has been sent to the Procurator Fiscal.

convoys went into Ravenscraig

Bureau gun

link with

dead Libyan

By Our Political

Correspondent

night that forensic scientists may have found a link between

one of the guns found in the Libyan People's Bureau and the

assassination of a Libyan citizen in Britain some time ago.

Mr Max Madden, Labour

MP for Bradford, West, yester-

day raised the point during

Labour Weekly, the party

newspaper, also carried a front page report by Mr Ken Hyder, a journalist who has specialized in Scotland Yard leaks, which

said that the evidence linking

the bureau gun with a previous killing had been classified secret

He also said that some of the

seven weapons found by the

police had been traced to a

British arms dealer and added: "Many police officers are privately bitter over the way

pressure was exerted on them during the siege which ended with them escorting their

colleague's murderer out of the

country."
Mr. Madden said last night

that the new evidence, taken

together with a Central Tele-

vision programme on covert

operations from the South

African Embassy, emphasized the need for an independent

inquiry into unacceptable diplo-

Mrs Thatcher rejected the

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matic activities.

the specific suggestion.

by the Home Office.

Ministers confirmed

some from the Durham coalfield, and they were outnumbered three to one by police. Mr Rory Nicholson, Strath-clyde's assistant chief constable,

defended police tactics and rejected accusations that they were infringing civil liberties by Ravenscraig management last

night offered to halt the lorry convoys if miners would guarantee at least two coal trains a day. Tugboat crews on the Clyde have voted to black oil and coal ships carrying ln Nortinghamshire,

About 292 miners' pickets unchallenged yesterday. There arrests were made on picket were charged with obstruction was a picket of only 30 miners. lines as more than 3.500 pickets gathered at the still-working pits. More than 2.500 were at Bevercotes colliery, near Ret-

> The Prime Minister yesterday condemned the violence between pickets and police at the Ravenscraig steel works and the Hunterston terminal on the

From Richard Owen

Nioscow

day that if efforts to persuade the Russians to take part in the

Los Angeles Olympic Games

fail during the next few weeks,

Moscow may well boycott the

next Olympiad in South Korea

doom for the modern Olympic

followed the Soviet and Bulga-

rian lead and pulled out of the

Los Angeles Games. It said

that the security of the

participants had not been

guaranteed and the "honour, dignity and life" of East

German athletes had to be

intentions would become clearer when President Kim II

Song of North Korea visits Moscow later this month. He

will follow Herr Hans Dietrich

Foreign Minister, who has said

he hopes to persuade the Soviet leadership to retract its de-

cision not to go to Los Angeles

Señor Juan Antonio Sama-

ranch, the president of the International Olympic Com-

mittee (IOC) said yesterday he

hoped to meet President Cher-

nenko in the near future in Moscow. Señor Samaranch

said he would be taking a letter

from President Reagan with

him to Moscow. He described the letter as "very very important" and said it con-

tained "many reassurances".

Two other senior Olympic

officials are expected in Mos-cow today to begin last-ditch

negotiations. They are to meet

Mr Marat Gramov, the chair-man of the Soviet Olympic

Committee, which announced

on Tuesday that conditions in Los Angeles made it "imposs-

ible for the Soviet Union to

Loss to Sport: East

Germany's failure to appear in

Los Angeles would have a devastating effect on athletics and swimming. In recent years,

the East German sprinters and

swimmers have been virtually

unbeatable (Our Sports Staff

writes). Karamanlis offer, page 6

participate".

before the June 2 deadline.

Sources here said Soviet

East Germany yesterday

movement.

protected.

Diplomats sald here yester-

During sharp Common exhanges on the strike Mrs Margaret Thatcher was accused by Mr Tony Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield, of trying to starve the miners into accepting

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No-one dared tell Foot to resign

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Michael Foot had not been asked to quit the Labour leadership before the last election because no one of enough standing could be found "to deliver the black spot."

Mr Foot says in his forthcoming book about the election, Another Heart and Other Pulses. that he had rejected the thought Commons questions to the Prime Minister, but Mrs Thatcher failed to respond to eral Election as cowardly and futile.

He argues that resignation would have been regarded as leadership made it impossible."

complete capitulation to the A Shadow Cabinet colleague
Tory press and even if Mr who was also fully aware of which would have taken place right-wing reactionaries moving withing four months of the against a truly socialist leader.

General Election. "The trade unions were

Mr Foot also points out that only two Labour MPs told him to his face that he should not be



Commons requests for inquiries Mr Foot: Rejected idea of

A member of the Shadow leading the party - Mr Jeff Cabinet said last night that Mr Rooker, who made the point in November 1982, and Mr Gerald Kaufman, who raised the matter during the election campaign a year ago.

One member of the Shadow Cabinet who was engaged in at least one of the secret conspiracies to resolve "the leadership problem" said last night: "There was a moment when it of resignation before the Gen- might have been possible to have raised it with Michael, but the Darlington result and The Times speculation about his

Denis Healey had taken over, closed-door discussions said the Labour campaign would that the parlimentary party have been dogged by questions could not have moved against about Mr Healey's chances in a Mr Foot because they would conference leadership ballot have been accused of being

"The trade unions were wringing their hands about the leadership, but no coalition could be found to diliver the black spot.

"There was no consensus; no one was willing to act; we all talked about it incesantly, but is would have been futile to have gone along - a group of MPs with no real power or authority behind it. What was needed was a group from the TUC or the national executive."

He added that what had particularly upset him at the time was the outright disloyalty those close to Mr Foot. Some of Michael's best friends bear the heaviest responsibility

Debenhams to move into house sales

Olympic appeal: Models in London yesterday showing off the outfits to be worn by the British team at the opening ceremony of the Games in Los Angeles in July Fears grow for 1988 Express editor By Robin Young **Olympic** Games

Lamb, remained inoperative from the print union Sogat 82 to Wednesday.

In the House of Commons,

Mrs Margaret Thatcher said the press freedom "will soon be lost threats to stop production succeed in obtaining space in newspapers for the propagation of particular points of view" Leading figures in the Labour

Party, by contrast, were de-lighted by Lord Matthews' apparent willingness to grant a right of reply. They hoped this might curb the enthusiasm of national newspaper editors for attacks on trade union figures.

miners' leader arrived at the Express officer during the day, but it remained unclear last princed in this morning's newspaper. If not it is likely to

Sir Larry, whose offer to to Sir Larry's cause, though the resign remained unaccepted, Express's proprietor Lord Mat-thews, had threatened to over-cditing of the paper was in the

Sogat leaders at the Express last night regretted the journal-

Journalists back

yesterday. Immalists on the but it remained unclear last paper voted overwhelmingly to night whether it would be support him against pressure princed in this morning's allow Mr Arthur Scargill right of appear tomorrow. Lord Mat-reply to a three-page attack thews, who refused all day to which the Express carried on comment, was reported to be vituperative language.

> A crowded meeting of the Daily Express chapel (office brance) of the National Union of Journalists voted overwhealmingly to refuse to process Mr Scargill's article until Mr Wilham Keys, general secretary of Sogat 82, withdraws his threat to close the paper.

ists' resolution.

some form of rescheduling. Market report, page 20

The 2,000-word reply by the unhapy with its length and

hands of his deputy, Mr Leith McGrandle.

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Spurs fans leave 13 in cells From Ian Murray

Most of Tottenham Hotspur's 8,000 fans left Belgium yesterday, with 13 of their number still in police custody. In a 24-hour period the invasion from North London confirmed all the worst stories nism which had been haunting the Brussels authorities and cafe owners since they learnt that Spurs were to play Andriacht in the UEFA Cup final.

One Tottenham Supporter had been shot dead and two others shot and wounded. Four policemaen were injured - two police car and the other when arrested fans set about their escort and broke one of his legs and an arm. One Anderlecht supporter was taken to hospital with a stab wound in the back. In total 50 policemen and 43

fans needed hospital treatment. The police operation to contain the fans will probably cost about 500,000. Some 560 riot police were deployed.

A total 141 fans were

arrested. The 13 still held are accused of grevious bodily harm, possessing illegal weapons. causing wilfull damage, assualt, theft and "rebellion" (resisting arrest). It could be up to three months before some appear before court.

A Belgian bar owner has been charged with murdering Irish fan Brian Flanagan, aged 18, from Finsbury Park, London.

The other two fans shot were William Worley, aged 19, from Biggleswade, Bedfordshire and Paul Adamson, aged 25m from Boreham Wood, Hertfordshire. The Prime Minister vesterday

apologized for the violence and said that the Government condemmed it.

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buying a house to start a stalled ment with oppening property transactions for a flat fee, a

Debenhams, one of the most familar names in the high street, is to enter the house selling business with a service which could break the buying chain bottle-neck.

Debenhams has two big advantages: the number of people passing through stores, putting buyers and seller in contact, and its financial strength which will provide new services like bridging loans to get buying chains moving. Nor does the group rule out

Debenhams may also experi-

service recently started by Woolworth. As an experimental concession in one of its stores, where a local estate agent will sell a house for a flat-rate £75. Debenham's chairman, Mr Bob Thornton, said this concept was limited compared with Debenhams'

plans. He thought it might be possible to provide a guarantee for buyers using the services of Debenhams, which will computerize data matching buyers and sellers.

Debenhams also plans to offer mortgage advice 25 2

separate property service. The Halifax Building Society al-

ready as two agencies within

Debenhams stores but Mr Thornton said his service would provide only advice and not Trials for both schemes will

start in four stores within two months and if successful will be expanded to take a much bigger slice of the annual £50 billion a year house selling market. Debenhams has 68 department stores which could offer the new service. Debenhams sees its move

into property as a logical extension of its growing financial services through its Welbeck Finance business.
Debenhams selling expertize was greater than the average estate agent, Mr Thornton

produced so far. are to set up their own building

a Law Society working party. supported by a second working party, which sees the move into estate agency as the best way to combat the likely loss of the

working party, could be the profession's best chance to avoid "A serious and irreversible loss of income."

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puter services more efficiently than the limited schemes • More than 200 solicitors

society, despite objections from The scheme is, however,

profession's monopoly on conveyancing.

The scheme, says the second

Montego stoppage fuels fear of autumn clash at Austin Rover

Production of Austin Royer's new Montego saloon at Cowley was halted last night by the latest in a series of unofficial strikes. There is growing con-cern within the company that its commercial success may be fostering increased militancy on

The Montego walkout came only hours after the ending of a week-long strike at Longoridge which cost output of 6,000 Metros worth £25m at showroom prices and threatened the impending launch of a new small Rover. The new flare-up began when 40 men employed on the Montego final trim and assembly line ignored the advice of the plant committee and stopped work in protest at reduced bonus earnings. A further 300 men were laid off.

One man said: "We are fed

fresh moves to spread the strike to mining areas still

Coal Joard and the NUM

came o nothing yesterday as the union's national executive adhered to its hardline policy of

no talks on pit closures or job

M Arthur Scargill, president; of the NUM, said:

*Pe iple have been to see as

and suggest there may be a

postibility of discussions between the coal board and

ourselves. We said the same

ha e said since last October -

will not talk about pit closures.

The miners have cancelled

eed yesterday to donate ir salaries to the NUM dship fund for the duration

is a that NUM leaders

that the strike will

for many more weeks.

cargill claimed that coal at power stations were

down to 17m tonnes and

ced we are winning."

he strike.

Despite improvement in productivity, bonuses have fallen short of the £30-a-week ceiling. They are now around £15 to

An Austin Rover spokesman said: "The remedy is in the men's own hands. Their unconstitutional action is typical of the sort of thing that has been happening recently and depressions the level of happening recently and depression the level of happening recently and depre ing the level of bonus payments, which are based on the efficiency of the plant as a

He said there had been several stoppages at Cowley in recent weeks. None lasted long, but they upset the efficient working of the plant.

Managers are worried that news of the company's recovery from losses of £101m in 1982 to a trading profit of £2m last year up working so hard without and the launch of a vital new getting anything to show for it". model may have provided

militants with both th ammunition and the timing for a fresh wave of "bushfire" strikes as a prelude to a serious confron-

A two-year pay deal involving increases of 5.6 per cent a year expires in November. It follows six years in which the highest annual increase was 6.8 per cent and the lowest 3.8 per

Shop stewards insist that the time is overdue for Austin-Rover to end this austerity and reward employees in keeping with their remarkable increases in productivity. They are making great play of management's own claims that Austin Rover productivity is now on a par with the best in Europe.

Management's answer is that the reward is already being given in the shape of revised bonuses of up to £30 a week.



Farmers protest over doorstep milk threat

Civil servants urged

to boycott pay ballot

Britain's dairy farmers may be unable to meet the demand for doorstep milk deliveries this EEC-imposed production quo-

That warning came from Mr George Wheeler, of Droitwich, one of about 50 Worcestershire farmers who demonstrated yesterday in London. He said that last July and August the Milk Marketing Board had come within three per cent of being unable to supply dairies

Officialese

is officially

cancelled

By Peter Hennessy

Life will get better for

Cabinet ministers from next week - officially. There are to

be no more jargon-ridden Cabinet papers or minutes to

burden the red box of a

Tday, by order of Lord Gowrie. Minister of State for

the Civil Service, every Cabinet

Office civil servant fro Sir

Robert Armstrong, Secretary of

learn and inwardly digesthe contents of a booklet entitled The Word Is. Plain English.

Sir Robert and the 1.709 staff of the Cabinet secretariat, the

the Cabinet, down, must read,

secretary of state.

with the milk they needed. With production now cut by nine per cent, there was a real possibility of supplies running

After staging a mock funeral along the Embaukment and Fleet Street, complete with coffins, placards and two Jersey cows, the farmers delivered petitions at the Ministry of Agriculture and Downing Steet before going on to look MPs at the House Commons.

organizers, Mr Peter Daniell of Upton on Severn, said that unless the Government could be persuaded to change its mind, dairy farmers would be in dire trouble.

Since 1981 he had invested large sums of money in expanding his herd, encouraged by statements from Mr Peter Walker, the former Minister of Agriculture, that he wanted Britain to produce more of its own food. "Now they turn

The Treasury said last night: "With the 1984 pay nego-tiations continuing there is no suggestion of a possible man-

agement ballot against a break-

as the average that civil servants

need to match private sector

In Hampshire, 50 members

walked out, forcing 2,158

children to be sent home from

four schools, although none of

the schools closed altogether. Similar action will continue

indefinitely in the county, with

the union choosing different

On the Isle of Wight, 3,000

schools and teachers every day.

children were sent home three

schools for half the day after 73

NAS/UWT members were

The unions argue that the

down of negotiations".

round and tell us they don't round and tell us they don't want our milk any more."

Mr Peter Pratt from Stourport brought two Jersey cows to London with him. Now, he said, Miss and Emma would both be sent for slaughter, even though Emma had produced more than 6,000 litres during her last milk sevent and was her last milk season and was the daughter of a supreme champion at the Three Counties Show.

He described the situation as

heartbreaking.

buy flour for 5p a pound, beef and pork at 40p a pound, butter at 53p a pound and sugar at 7p Pesticide use to be curbed

Agriculture.

The Government is to introduce statutory controls on the sale and use of pesticides "as soon as practicable", Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, told the Commons

Apex staff

strike

hits union Two hundred and twenty

sectretarial and administrative staff employed by the associ-ation of Scientific, Technical, and Managerial Staff are in official dispute over a pay

claim.

The staff are members of

another white-collar union, the association of Professional, executive, Clerical and Computer Staff. ASTMS has refused

to improve on an offer of a 3.81

per cent salary increase. The staff is asking for an increase of 5.31 per cent, which represents the increase in the cost of living

since their last salary settle-

The dispute has led to a half-day stoppage at the SATMS head office in London, Tomor-

row every ASTMS office throughtout the country will be

affected by a one-day strike.

Apex members are also refusing

to work overtime or provide cover for absent colleague

EEC wine at 7p

Surplus wine from the EEC "lake" is being sold to the Soviet Union at less than 7p a litre, according to figures issued by Mr John MacGregor, Minister of State at the Ministry of

The Russians are also able to

for Russia

yesterday.

Concern over possible health risks has been voiced by the agricultural workers' section of the Transport and General Workers' Union and by the environment group Friends of

State will boost arts patronage

The Minister for the Arts. Lord Gowrie, announced a new £1m-a-year scheme yesterday, under which the Government will provide matching grants for arts bodies which have won new sponsorship from the private

The scheme will start on October I and will be administered by the Association of Business Sponsorship of the Arts, It will be open to any business creating new or additional sponsorship for pro-fessional arts bodies, including craft and film.

Boom in 'top job' advertising

Recruitment advertising for managers and senior specialist staff has: reached its highest level for 18 years according to a survey by the Hay-MSL management consultancy, which has counted the number of executive jobs advertised in Britain's national newspapers since 1959. Between January and March

this year 10.367 advertisements appeared. That was an increase of 17 per cent compared with the first three months of 1983 and a 61 per cent increase compared with the lowest point of the iob market depression in the last quarter of 1980.

Labour sheriff back in fold The Sheriff of Nottingham, Mr Dennis Birkinshaw, who

away from the city.
But he added that he was

GLC and metropolitan counties areas after 1986 is not "extra", as a headline on April 12 stated. It is a substitution for local authority grants that are to be abolished.

Liverpool options kept open The Government's contin-

gency plans in the event of a collapse of local administration in Liverpool have so far stopped short of lining up a team of commissioners and advisers to be drafted into the

ity.
The Department of the Environment's line, reiterated by a spokesman yesterday, is that no breakdown is imminent, and the work commissioners would have to do would not become clear until much later in the events that might follow the passage by the city's Labour majority of a budget in which revenue fell short of spending. It appears that informal soundings begun by Sir George Moseley, permanent secretary,

have stopped at two former county chief executives, Sir James Swaffield and Sir John Boynton. Sir James retired from the

this year after a period of rather strained relations with Mr. Kenneth Livingstone, the council leader.

Sir John, formerly chief executive of Cheshire, did the same job during elections in

Zimbabwc. ; Other possible candidates are Mr Paul McQuail a Department

of the Environment under-secretary who has been on secondment as chief executive the London Borough of Hounslow for the past ten-months, and Mr Keith Bridge, a former chief executive with inancial experience who is now consultant for Phillips and Drew, the stockbrokers.: Mr John Gummer, chairman of the Conservatve Party,

visiting Merseyside yesterday, warned Liverpool council lead-ers that their "extremist rhetoric" could keep employers

pleased that the council appeared to be allowing time to reach a solution to the budget dispute. .

Correction The £34m the Government is to make available for the arts in the

resigned from the Labour Party 10 days ago in protest over "extremists"; rejoined the Not-tingham Council Labour group yesterday.

Hostile and threatening telephone calls had affected his wife's health, he said.

Bank of Scotland Home Loan Rate

Bank of Scotland announce that with effect from 10th May 1984 Bank of Scotland Home Loan Rate will be increased from 101/2% to 11% per annum.

Bank of Scotland Head Office, The Mound. Edinburgh EH1 IYZ.



Howe sets Miners to ask for sympathy walk-outs

Miners' leaders are to ask output had fallen to 300,000 the transport unions to stage tonnes a week - one seventh of normal production. sympathy stoppages in support of the nine-week old pit strike. Pressure on those areas still The request for supportive working is to be intensified, beginning with a mass rally in Mansfield, heart of the nonindustrial action is expected to be put to a conference of rail. road and sea unions in London striking Nottinghamshire coal-field on Monday. tonight as the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) makes

"It is important to call on our colleagues in Nottinghamshire to support the dispute and bring it to a swift and satisfactory conclusion", Mr Scargill said. working.

Peace feelers by unnamed
"media ors" to arrange negotiation between the National

During yesterday's executive meeting, Mr Ray Chadburn, President of the Nottinghamshire miners, said that more than 13,000 of the coalfield's 34,000 pitmen are now out on strike and that the NCB is being compelled to lift coal from stock to maintain deliveries to power stations in the Trent Valley.

National officials of the thing to those people that we NUM will also tour the embassies of coal-exporting nations in London paying particular attention to the we will meet the NCB either fo mally or informally but we Poles, whose coal is understood to be coming into Britain at an "We shall be discussing increased rate. Other nations that may feel the wrath of the measures to make the dispute more successful. We are con-NUM are Australia, the USA and South Africa. eir annual policymaking nierence due to be beld in nby, Dyfed, in July, and the ion's fulltime officials also

The NUM disputes figures produced by the Central Electricity Generating Board and Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, about the margin of coal stocks available for power supply. Mr Scargili claimed that information from a "mole" within the CEGB indicated that their supplies will only last for eight or nine weeks at present consumption

Parliamentary report.

Steel production cut by effects of pit strike

The impact of the miners' strike on the nation's steel production is beginning to show in the monthly output statistics. compiled jointly by the British Steel Corporation and the private sector. Last month, average weekly output of 290,900 tonnes was 8.5 per cent down on the March figure.

The April decline reflected production cuts at the BSC's Scunthorpe steel works which have been affected badly by a lack of coal from the strikebound Yorkshire pits.

The average weekly output for the first four months of the year, at 307,700 tonnes, was 3.8 per cent greater than a year earlier. That indicates the recovery in demand that steelworks were experiencing from some customers, particularly those making such consumer products as cars and white

The figures indicate that steel production could have been significantly higher had it not been for the coal dispute.

Print union protests at choice of inquiry chief

Association have objected to the appointment of Mr Frank Jordan, Chief Constable of Kent, to head an internal inquiry into police behaviour during the Stockport Messenger dispute.

The union says the investigation will not be fair because Mr Jordan ordered the arrest of Kent miners at the Dartford tunnel recently on the ground that they could cause a breach of the peace on picket lines

of the National he is not going to be as objective as someone who has not been involved in these new sinister

methods" The union made allegations of police violence after clashes last year outside the Warrington print works of the Messenger group owned by Mr Eddie Shah. A Cheshire police spokesman said: "We have no jurisdiction

over the complaints made against us. We have no doubt that the complaints will be dealt with as a separate entity to the Mr Bryn Griffiths, the dispute involving the National union's president, said: "Clearly Union of Mineworkers

European unity aim From Ronald Faux

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, told the Scottish Conservative conference in Perth yesterday that the party would offer the British electors a unique political combination in the European

elections on June 14. The Conservatives, he said, had maintained a consistent committment to the Com-munity and had made real achievements to create better working relations in Europe. The party offered a vision and

sense of purpose which it alone could transform into reality. "We want to make of the Community not just a force for stability, democracy and pros-perity in Europe, but for liberty, peace and civilized relations between nations around the world. We want greater unity in Europe to help strengthen Western security and to open up new avenues of contact between East and West.

"We want Europe to build on its unique historical and trading links with the Third World to increase understanding and



Sir Geoffrey Howe: "encouraging progress"

cooperation between developed and developing nations. "We want to see the community use its vast resources of technical knowhow and skilled manpower to reassert its position as a power house of technological and commmercial success. This is the potential of

the Community" Sir Geoffrey said it was that potential which made the long. tough and all too slow negoliations worthwhile. Difficult decisions were postponed and the headlines spoke of crisis and conflict. Yet, he said, significant and encouraging progress had

been made. Agreements had been reached on a fair budget system, putting an end to annual haggles, a stricter control of expendiutre including agriculture, limits on the production of food surpluses. new initiatives to reduce barriers within the market and greater emphasis on scientific

and technical cooperation. Referring to East-West rela-tions. Sir Geoffrey said the Government would seek to make plain to Russia that it had no aggressive intentions and sought only security.

Mr Peter Fraser. Solicitos General for Scotland, appealed at the conference for hard evidence against those who dealt in the "evil trade" of drugs trafficking. He said the evidence was desperately needed to combat the tragic misuse of drugs and gave a warning that those prosecuted for trafficking in drugs would be taken to the High Court where they would be exposed to the full range of

sentences.
The conference will be addressed by the Prime Minister today.

Amsterdam return air

British Airways announced

The fare, due to start on July 1. is nearly £40 cheaper than the present lowest. It was an-nounced as Mr Nicholas Ridley. Secretary of State for Transport battled at the Council of Ministers for a cheap fare deal

throughout Europe.

The Dutch KLM airline will introduce a similar fare simul-

sea fares.

refusal to guarantee that it will not ballot civil servants. A Government may want a ballot because ministers do not want warning not to cooperate is in a the issue settled at arbitration. Next week's conferences of the unions will debate motions leaflet that the unions have distributed to white-collar civil demanding industrial action if servanis. the Government refuses to Union fears were heightened when they learned that staff in make an offer equivalent to the 5 to 7 per cent stated by the Office of Manpower Economics

the Ministry of Defence and Department of Health and Social Security were being approached by managers for

The National Association of

Women Teachers is using cost-

effective "guerrilla" tactics, pulling out teachers with heavy

timetables, or groups of teachers

Union

Civil Service unions fear the

Government is about to ballot 500,000 white-collar staff to win

approval for a rejected 3.7 per

Union leaders argue that the move is based on the Treasury's

cent pay offer.

management and Personnel Office and the Central Statisti-Strikes disrupt schools cal Office, will have received a personal copy of "The Word" this morning, are asked by Lord Gowrie to: "Put yourself in the members of the second largest position of your readers. teaching union began in Hamp-shire and the Isle of Wight Then you will see why your letters, minutes or reports will ole and more yesterday, forcing more than 5,000 children to stay at home.

Schoolmasters

convincing if they are written in plain English." His message ends with the exhortation to Make plain English the MPO Lord Gowrie, an Anglo-Irish-

man who taught English literature at Harvard, says; "I used to set my new students an early exercise to describe a bicycle to a visitor from Mars. They soon found that writing plain English

fare of £49

E49 London-Amsterdam return fare vesterday, claiming it could herald off-peck reductions througout Europe (Our Transport Editor writes).

taneously.

Customers will buy undated tickets and, initially have seats confirmed the day before flying. British Airways said the scheme could be extended to all European routes reducing fares almost to the level of rail and

in schools with NAS/UWT membership. pulled out The Super 748: Hopes of a bigger order

large

Airline buys British

British Airways has ordered

three British aircraft, after five years of buying American only. The £9m order for three British Aerospace Super 748 turboprops for the state air-line's Scottish island services has raised hopes that it may go on to spend £40m on up to 20 of the new 150-seat European

Airbus A320s. The 748 order was announced in London yesterday by Lord King, chairman of the airline, and Sir Austin Pearce, chairman of British Aerospace.

Lord King recently went to Toulouse in France to visit the Airbus consortium in which British Aerospace is a 20 per cent partner. He said yesterday that he had been "very impressed" and hoped British Airways would be a customer for the A320.

The airline needed a replacement for its Tridents on tomestic and European routes. They were too noisy for new regulations due next year and burnt over 50 per cent more fuel than new-technology aircraft

Sale room

Mahler manuscript fetches £143,000 By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A hitherto unknown manu-

script of Mahler's First Symphony in D Major, known as The Titon, was sold at Sothe-by's yesterday for £143,000 (estimate £120,000-£150,000), It was bought by an unnamed overseas private collector who made a telephone bid.

The manuscript dates from between 1896 and 1899 and has

21 pages written bythe composer. The rest is written by his amanuensis. F. Weidig but is extensively annotated and revised by Mahler. It is the only manuscript surviving of the four-movement version of Mahler's First Symphony and sheds important

light on the composer's working

The sale also contained manuscripts of several Mahler songs, most of which were bought by the Austrian National Library. The most expensive was Nicht Wiedersc-hen of around 1892, at £4,400.

The leading purchaser was Mr F. Koch, who collects Victorian paintings and manuscripts of the same period, many of which are on loan to the Morgan Library in New

Mr Kock paid £63,800 (estimate £60,000-£80,000) for the manuscript draft of Wagner's libretto for the Death of Siegfried, the first version of what was to become the fourth and last opera in his Ring cycle. He also spent £30,8000 (esti-mate £20,000-£25,000) on 15 long letters from Marcel Proust to his mother, many concerning the Dreyfus affair,

The sale of manuscript material totalled £606.529 with 13 per cent left unsold. The market for musical manuscripts proved exceptionally strong, with a large number of private collectors prepared to outbid institutions for works of scholarly importance, in Ne York on Wednesday

Sotheby's held their most

successful sale of contemporary

art totalling £3.8m and 14 per cent left unsold. A new auction price record was set for American sculpture when Alexander Calder's coloured abstract. Big Crinkly of 1971, made £852,5000 (estimate 5500,000- \$700,000) or £608,929. The record was previously held by a Remington Wild West bronze entitled The which sold \$650,000 in 1982.

WHAT USE IS ATELEPHONE IF YOU DON'T WANT TO TALK?

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SCOTLAND

BBC musician contest accused of ruining young players' lives

"positive and rewarding".

inexperienced performers are

ter of instant glory followed by total oblivion," the report says. Brilliant musicians who need

time to develop and choose not

The unceasing search for

music competitions over the lives of young artists is ruining lost in early stages of previous competition had now become the futures of Britain's most promising young talents and threatening the devellpment of young professionals, and he was confident that the 2,500 young musical excellence, a report to be published next month says. people who had taken part in the past six years had found it

A working party of the European String Teachers' Association, which has studied the hundreds of competitions which have burgeoned in recent popular Young Muician of the Year contest for particular criticism, calling it a "degrading musical equivalent of the Miss World contest".

Miss Anna Markland, winner overwhelmed by the pressure. of the BBC's competition 1982, last night countered the critinew sensations greatly increases the number of young musicians cism by saying that she had found nothing but good came who are going to suffer the personal and professional disas-

Since winning she has obtained 40 to 50 engagements a season, won a place to start studying for a degree at Worcester College, Oxford University from October.

to concentrate on technical accuracy, which is all compe-Many of the semi-finalists titions can judge, are left by the wayside. Most musicians dislike and runners-up also received offers, so one person's victory was not necessarily at the competing, but "side by side with the mushrooming of competitions has gone the elimination of other avenues expense of others, she said.

Mr Roy Tipping senior producer of Young Musician of into the profession." the Year, who has worked on all The working party, composed of 15 professional musicians four competitions since 1978 and sat on the working party as and teachers who have judged an observer, said he did not competitions, accepts that the

for glory

of first win

From Our Correspondent

day. Mr Stephen Wiles said that

statement after being assured by

Colin Mathison, aged 46. Mr Richardson, of Jubilee House, Hutton, near Driffield,

Humberside:

Mathison of Driffield, and Mr

box driver, also f.Driffield, deny

conspiracy to defraud and to obtain property by deception!

The rising dominance of believe the association's fears motives of most competition Many young players who had encourage young people.

They conclude, however. Competition in music is not only inappropriate but can also be exceedingly harmful and therefore, ideally, should play no part in musical life."

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Scorn is reserved for the BBC competition, where the working party describes the "futile impossibility" of picking a winner out of the four finalists. The association says that competitions convert musical performance into a gladiatorial cultivating artificial who are playing different types of music on different instrustars", who pursue a "jet-propelled" series of engagements. Musical sensitivity is sacrificed for physical toughness and

Fanfare, the National Festival of Music for Youth, and the Chamber Music Competition for Schools are credited with encouraging participation among performers, but even they incorporate solo combat.

The association prefers con-tests modelled on the European Broadcasting Union's string quarter competition, or Yehudi Menuhin's Paris violin competition, which award equal prizes to every musician who produces an excellent performance. Competitions for young

musicians should offer prizes such as master classes, summer schools, help to buy instru-ments and fund study-time. Music Competitions, a Report -STA, Alfred Russell, Baron's Keep, Gliddon Road, London,

Trainer lied Freeze considered on council house building

By David Walker, Social Policy Correspondent

A racehorse trainer told a "pack of lies" to the racing authorities for the glory of running his first winner, York Crown Court was told yesterment.
Officials at the Department of the Environment and the Treasury are studying projec-tions which show that councils he gave false information to the Jockey Club about a horse he in England could exceed housknew as Flockton Grey. He had made the false ing cash limits by £300m in 1984-85 and that total capital overspending could exceed its owners that the horse was a

sure winner if it were entered for races. But he has said he had In response, ministers are likely next mouth or in early seen the horse only briefly when July to order a complete ban on councils signing new building contracts for schools and roads it was officially named at his It is alleged that the horse was as well as for housing. No given the false identity to provide a better coup for its owner. Kenneth Richardson, further home improvement grants would be made for a period of at least four months, aged 47, and his racing manage possibly during the rest of the

> Such a freeze would dismay the building industry and do-ityourself firms.

The problem, according to councils, is that many local authorities took the Prime Minister at her word when, in The trial continues today. . October 1982, she berated them authorities.

The Government is seriously for not spending enough on considering a total freeze on capital projects. Councils apnew council house building and proved a series of schemes. many of which are only now coming on stream, pushing up costs in the current financial year above the level the

> In previous years, councils' spending on housing has been buoyed up by unexpectedly large receipts from the sale of council houses to tenants. This year, however, receipts are falling and although they may turn out to be what the Treasury computed (about £1,465m in England in 1984-85) they will be insufficient to pay for the building projects now on councils' books.

A spokesman for the Association of Metropolitan Auth-orities said yesterday: "Two years ago councils were 'underspending' on housing by at least £1,000m. Now it is time for the Government to return some of that money they saved."

tenants in Britain are now in rent arrears and at least £240m is owed in rent to local

High-speed



Detail from the Hogarth portrait, valued at £290,000

Six-month export ban on Hogarth painting

ambitious single figure por-

Jones was a contemporary of

Newton and published an

edition of his works. He was

working on an ambitious introduction to Newtonian

A beautifully painted portrait A six-month delay is one of of a bewigged mathematician in a brown velvet suit by William Hogarth has been denied an export licence by the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art. the longest accorded. It drew sharp criticism from Mr Baskett yesterday: "I sympathize with the reason for the delay, but the purchaser is desay, but the purchaser is losing interest payments on the very large sum throughout that period." The Treasury should shoulder responsibility for interest payments, he argues.

The portrait depicts William Janes speed on a handeau

The licence had been applied for by Baskett and Day, the Bond Street dealers, at a valuation of £290,000. Mr John Baskett is not disclosing the Jones seated on a handsome armchair beside a pillar. It dates from around 1740 and is name of his client but it is believed to be the Mellon Centre for British Art at Yale. a brilliant portrayal of character, one of Hogarth's most

The committee met earlier this week and decided to recommend that a licence should be with held for six months. Their recommendations are almost always accepted by

"The committee retired for a very long time", Mr Baskett said yesterday "I began to think a fight had broken out. It turned out that it was the length of time the licence should be with held

philosphy at the time of his death. He bequeathed that to his patron, Lord Macclesfield, in the hope he would complete The portrait was probably that they were wrangling over." There has been a recent tendency to increase the delay commissioned by the second earl, a friend of Hogarth's and remained in the Parker family period on export licences to give British galleries a better chance until it was sent to Christie's last March by the present to raise the purchase price Viscount Parker. It sold for £280,000 to Baskett and Day. needed tokeep the item in

Gatwick link opened Gatwick airport's new, high-speed rail link with Victoria Station was formally opened yesterday. It will start public

service on Monday. Gatwick Air-conditioned Gatwick Express trains will make the 30-

minute journey every 15 minutes, separating airline passengers with their heavy baggage from ordinary commuter's. By providing a greater speed and comfort the service is expected to double rail traffic on the route to eight million over the next decade.

Two appear on terror charges

Two Northern Ireland men appeared before Lambeth Magistrates court, London, yesterday, on murder, explos-

yesterday, on murder, explosives and firearms charges.
Thomas Quigley, aged 28, who faces 10 charges, including murder, attempted murder and causing explosions, and Paul Kavanagh, aged 28, who faces two charges of causing explosions, three of possessing friearms and one of possessing friearms and one of possessing explosives, were remanded in explosives, were remanded in custody until May 17.

Jack Nicholson wins libel case

Jack Nicholson, the Academy Award winning actor, won substantial libel damages in the High Court yesterday against the Sun newspaper, which had alleged that he had been arrested for drug offences.

The newspaper acknowledged that the American actor had never been arrested for any drug offence and offered an unqualified apology. It agreed to pay undisclosed damages and Mr Nicholson's costs.

£10,089 an acre for farmland

The price of agricultural land in Britain has reached a record level with the sale of 30.7 acres on the Lincolnshire coast for £310,000, an average of £10,089

per acre.
The land was part of the 310-acre Hall Farm and Country House at Wrangle, near Boston.



Bouncing back: Andrew Hardwick, aged two, in playful mood after his liver transplant at Addenbrooke's Hospital. Cambridge. Andrew, who had his operation last week, is now getting up to mischief, his parents said yesterday. "It shows he is really on the mend and we just love it", his father, Mr Ron Hardwick, of Shafton, near Barusley, South Yorkshire, said. Andrew is now so well that doctors have allowed him to eat bacon and eggs.

Kicking charge policeman | Blow struck by accident, 'protecting himself'

A young Liverpool police constable accused of kicking a demonstrator in the face said yesterday thet he was trying to push the man out of the way to protect himself.
PC Karl Kneale, who denies

assault, told a jury at Preston Crown Court that he did not kick Michael O'Brien in the face and said in a statement that he felt he had been "tried and convicted" in a photograph newspapers.
Mr Michael Wolfe, for the

prosecution, has said that PC kneale was photographed the instant he delivered a deliberate kick to Mr O'Brien during a "Free Dennis Kelly" demon-stration outside Walton Prison

PC Kneale, aged 23, of Tyneville Road, Walton, said that, as a coach carrying Kelly, a convicted killer, came out of to throw themselves in its path.

After he had shouted at them to get off the road, Mr O'Brien

accused PC says

on, who is accused of blinding Mr Barry Carliell, said yester-day he hit him by accident. He told Southwark Crown Court that the 6ft 7in business-

man struck out while being searched at Islington police station, north London. PC Renton said: "He pushed ne away and as I started to move towards him I saw his fist coming towards me. I insticti-

vely took my head out of the way and my right hand shot up. "I heard a smack and realized I had struck him about the face

Police Constable Brian Ren- or head. I had not intended to. The next thing I remember was him putting his hand to his face. I saw blood streaming through his fingers. I felt terrible."

Pc Renton, a former RAF boxer, said he drank six pints at a detective's leaving party but its only effect was making him "a little bit happier".

PC Renton, aged 26, of Highbury, north London, denies causing grievous bodily harm to Mr Carliell, aged 36, of Bloomsbury, central London.

Private care in NHS offered to cut fees By Nicholas Timmins

Private Patients Plan Britain's second largest medical insurer, has revamped its subscription rates to encourage companies to cover their employees for private care in National Health Service hospitals and the less inxurious hospitals.

The change will mean that for the first time employees are likely to be asked to contribute between £55 and £200 towards the cost of their treatment

The move initially affects only PPP's corporate health plan, where the company pays employees' subscriptions. That involves about one-third of the one million people covered by PPP and is the fastest growing sector of the market. But similar packages are on the way next year for PPP's voluntary groups and individual subscribers.

The move is one more attempt by the private medical insurers to control the increasing cost of private treatment Under the scheme, PPP says it has arranged cost-cutting agreements with most private hospitals. Employers can opt for one of four bands of cover from D, which covers pay beds in most NHS provincial hospitals and the lower priced provincial private hospitals, to A, which covers the most expensive private hospitals in

For routine operations, em-ployees will in effect be restricted to the category of hospital chosen for cover. But for 41 "complex" procedures, including open heart surgery, hip transplants, neurosurgery and bysterectomies, employees will still be covered for

treatment in any hospital. Companies will be able to reduce thei premiums by another 15 per cent by stipulating that their employees will pay the first £55 in any one year for treatment in a group D hospital, up to the first £200 in

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Economic

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US deficit

The prospect of further reduction

in the United States budget deficit may well be raised at the London

economic summit next month. Mr

Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, indicated during

already been a number of dis-cussions with the US administration

about the need to reduce the deficit

There is (he said) some sign of a welcome change in the attitude of the American Government towards

They have now decided to make what they call a down payment of \$150,000m reduction in the deficit

over three years.

Their description of it as a down

payment leads to the inference that there are further reductions yet to come. That is something which may well be discussed at the economic

well be discussed at the economic suntimit next month. The Chancellor was responding to Mr Timothy Eggar (Enfield North, C), who had asked what

action he was going to take in conjunction with other European

countries to try to persuade the US

to reduce their deficit.

Earlier, when asked about a target

for the exchange rate. Mr Lawson said: We cannot be wholly immune

rates on base rates in Britain.

INTEREST RATES

Thatcher 'utterly condemns' picket line violence

COAL DISPUTE

The picket line violence between striking miners and police at Ravenscraig and Hunterston was "totally and utterly condemnned" by Mrs Margaret Thatheer, the Prime Minister, during exchanges in the Commons on the coal strike. She said those who practisd such violence to further industrial ends should cease and she congratulated the police for the way they carried out their duties to enable those miners who wished to work, to do

Mr Tony Benn told the Prime Minister that she would "never, never, never" starve the miners back into accepting a programme of mass pit closures. Mr. Fergus Montgomery (Altrin-

cham and Sale, (1) began the exchanges when he said: Will the Prime Minister, at this critical time in the coal industry dispute, retterate her confidence and commitment to the long-term future of the coal industry? Would she agree t is customers, not subsidies, that will guarnatee success."
Mrs. Thatcher: He is night. This

Government wishes to see a prosperous coal industry for the future. Top that end, it believes that the pay offer which has been made will amount to wages 25 per cent above the average industrial wage, that the excellent record of investment amounting to £1m a day in good, new coal mines and the very good voluntary redundancy payments are the best ever offered. and offer very good prospects for the tuture of the coal industry if people will go to work and cut coal to meet the orders which have recently bee obtained.

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party: Is the Prime Minister troubled by the growing violence at Ravenscraig and Hunterston hetween pickets and police and also by the warning of the British Steel chairman about the long-term threat

if the disruption goes on, does she accept ministers do have a responsibility in this deteriorating climate to try to bring the parties If the disruption goes on, does she

Inquiry into

ruled out

The Prime Minister refused both a

request for an inquiry into the activities of diplomats at the Libyan

People's Bureau and a reduest that

she should cancel her meeting with the Prime Minister of South Africa

in view of the unacceptable activities of South African diplomats in Britain.

The requests came at question time from Mr Max Madden (Bradford West, Lab) who asked for

confirmation that police experts had

now identified one of the guns

used in the killing of a Libyan in the

will she establish an independent inquiry into the activities of

diplomats at the bureau and into the circumstances which led to the

THE ECONOMY

The combination of steady growth and low inflation Britain was

and tow inition british was currently enjoying had not been seen since the 1960s. Mr. Nigel Lawson. Chancellor of the Eviche-quer, said during Commons ex-

changes on the economy.

The statement drew from Mr

James Callaghan who, to laughter, thanked Mr Lawson for the tribute to his Chancellorship in the 1960s

when there was steady growth, high investment and a much higher

sterling rate than today.
At that time (said Mr Callaghan)

unemployment was also at record low levels. Mr Lawson cannot take credit for his Chancellorship until

he can do something about the disastrous figure of unemployment

at present. Mr. Lawson: I entirely agree that

in those circumstances the saids

PM'S QUESTIONS

the British economy is the rope? Mrs Thatcher: I agree we must totally and utterly condemn violence and its use to further industrial ends. We hope it will be reduced.

must also congratulate the

police for the way in which they have carried out their duties in seeing that those who wish to get to their place of work, can do so.

The way ahead is to condemn

violence and to see that those who

are practising it cease to practise it.

Mr Kenneth Cartisle (Lincoln, C): Applications by industry for the coal conversion scheme have fallen from

some 20 a month before the troubles

to just three a month now. This is another example where, if we are to have a coal industry with a secure

Mrs Thatcher: Yes, The Govern-ment made available subsidies for industries who wished to turn to

coal as a means of producing energy

which they require. Obviously, industries who turn over to coal

must have a guarantee of security of supply otherwise they will not make

the change.
ICI has deferred a decision on

mean another thousand jobs in Durham, just exactly where they are

needed: another example of where there is an order waiting to be

Conservative protests) into accepting a programme of mass pit clusures that will deny the nation

the coal which it needs for the future

Mrs Thatcher: The Labour Govern-

unacceptable activities of South African diplomats and because the vast majority of the people of this

Soviet move

over Olympics

regretted

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister.

said that she hoped the Soviet

Olympic Committee was reconsidering its apparent decision not to

She was replying to Mr Tony
Banks (Newham, North-West, Lab)
who mentioned the decision of the

Soviet Union, Algeria and Bulgaria not to take part and said that Mrs

Thatcher had set a bad example by

He also asked her to support the

establishment of a permanent site in

Greece, with United Nations status.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the position in 1980 had been different. That had been soon after the Soviet Union action in Afghanistan, which

Steady growth and low inflation

in the labour market. Between March and September last year, the latest figures available, the numbers

of those in work in this country increased by some 200,000.

Mr Jack Dormand (Easington, Lab): The economy is already being affected by the dispute in the coal mining industry and there is likely to be a provided deteriors to the first terms.

to be a rapid deterioration before

financially and economically advan-tageous to at least consider meeting

tageous to at least consider meeting the present demands of the miners, particularly as the other coal producing countries in the EEC give greater subsidies. Would Mr Lawson make the strongest possible representations to the Prime Minister on this aspect of the

In such circumstances it would be

long because of that.

knows full well that the rise in Mr Lawson: The effects of dispute unemployment over the past 20 on the economy are slight indeed, years has occurred throughout the world and not simply in this substantial stocks of coal there are at

power stations.

her botched-up attempt to prevent

Libyan siege country are repelled by apartheid?

Mrs Thatcher: The answer is no in each case.

siege? country is still occupied. That was in that context, will she cancel her totally different to the conditions in

meeting with the Prime Minister of which the Olympics were being held south Africa in protest at the in Los Angeles,

prosperity of our industry?

won, and then secured?

it is essential markets be first

Dormand: Does her prayer still guide her?

Mr Jack Dormand (Easington, Lab) that the line in the wellknown prayer she had recited to the nation in 1979; "Grant that I may seek to understand, rather than to be understood" still guided her in her

If so the saidt will she intervene n the miners' dispute, as the only possible way of breaking the deadlock and cease to play the role of Pontius Pilate by washing her hands of the dispute? Is that not the way to understand?

Mrs Thatcher: I seek both to understand and to be understood and I have no difficulty in either. The way to end the dispute is to take advantage of consultation procedures which already exist and which have been attended by some miners' leaders. miners' leaders.

 During business questions later.
 Labour MPs unsuccessfully asked Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Scal and Leader of the Commons, for a whether to turn over to coal, until the end of the strike. Should they agree to turn over to coal that would debate next week on the coal dispute. Mr Biffen said he had not provided for a debate in the business he had announced but that there was an Opposition day available between now and the Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, Lab): When will the Prime Minister realize she will never, never, never

Mr Benn said coal stocks had fallen to dangerous levels and there was serious hardship for miners and their wives lighting to maintain pits. Mr Biffen said the Government's handling of the dispute had been admirable and had avoided the highly charged political comment which had characterized Mr Benn's remarks.

ment during its 11 years closed 300 pits; the Conservative Government closed 92. Is he disowning previous Mr Richard Hickmet (Gianford and Mr Richard Hickmet (Olanjord and Scunthorpe, C) said Labour MPs were not making a serious request for a debate on the coal industry because that would oblige Mr Many miners are fortunately to indicate if he supported the miners' efforts to starve the steelworkers into submission.

Apologies to

Belgium for

violence

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime

Minister, apologised to the Belgian authorities for the violence in Brussels last night the thoughing supporters of Tottenham Hotspur FC who had attended a match there.

She said: We are deeply concerned about the violence in

Brussels last night and totally and

There have been a number of

cases of violence, not in the stadium, but before and after the

match. A special committee was set

violence in Luxembourg and it will

report shortly. I condemn the violence which was a disgrace to

Britain and we deeply apologise for

Mr John Carlisle (Luton North, C)

apology to the Belgian government and also to Belgian magistrates

saying that when these thugs came before them they should show no

mercy and if necessary keep them in custody for yet another football

season, which would please the

As for the treatment of the miner

by the National Coal Board, that has been very fair indeed, some would

say even generous, whether one looks at the levels of pay, which are high, and the increase offered is

generous, or at the redundancy terms, which are extremely gener-

There is no coal industry in

Europe which is investing anything

like as much as we are. That i important for the future. At th

investment for the future there has inevitably to be closure of ageing

Commons (9.30): Debate on policing in London.

and grossly uneconomic pits.

Parliament today

up after previous examples of

utterly condemn it. . . .

Eggar: What action will Chancellor take?

from what is happening to interest rates in the United States if we are concerned to maintain a proper Although we do not have any target for the exchange rate, we do take it into account in pursuing our Dr Oonagh McDonald, an oppo-

sition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (Thurrock): Industrialists do not share his com-placency about the rise in interest rates. Yesterday the director general of the Confederation of British Industry said the rise in interest rates could shatter the fragile recovery, as he described it, which is taking place this year.
When is Mr Lawson going to

accept responsibility for the control of this country's economy? When is he going to start controlling interest rates himself so that the economy may recover, instead of blaming

Mr Lanson: I would be interested to know how Dr McDonald imagines rates and what she thinks the consequences would be. A more considered verdict on British industry was contained in the CBI April survey which showed the most widespread improvements in manu-facturing output for seven years.

Next week's business

The main business in the House of The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday and Tuesday: Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, report stage. Wednesday: Police and Criminal Justice Bill, third reading, Debate on Hongkong.

Thursday: Ordnance Factories and Military Services Bill, report stage. Motion for spring adjournment.

Motion for spring adjournment. Friday: Animal Health and Welfare

Bill, second reading.

The main business in the House of Lords next week will be:
Monday: London Regional Transport Bill. committee, first day.
Video recordings Bill. committee, third day. Tuesday: Trade Union Bill. second

Wednesday: Debates on long-term energy strategy and on the Vienna Convention on diplomatic immun-

Thursday: London Regional Trans port Bill, committee, second day, Friday: Video Recordings Bill, committee, fourth day.

Finding the money to increase nurses' pay

REVIEW BODIES

Before it makes an announcement about nurses' pay and the pay of others covered by special review bodies, including those on top salaries in the public sector, the Government wants to see where the resourses to meet the awards are to come from. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during questions in the Commoms. Mr Kinnock, Leader of the

opposition, said that nurses were worth all they were paid and asked if Mrs Thatcher was suggesting that their pay was dependent in any way on the allocations she chose to make to people on top salaries. The Prime Minister told him he was trying to put words in her mouth.

Mr Kinneck opened the subject by pointing out that the Government

before letting them know if she will honour the review recommendation?

Mrs Thatcher: The amount of time taken to decide on the review body reports is in keeping with what happened previously. We want to look at them all together.

Those who make the reports do not have the duty of the Government to look at the attention

ment, to look at the amount recommended and then find the

Mr Kinnock: That still does not

explain why it will be two months or even more between the time of ssion of the report and when the Prime Minister says she may

continuing to delay.

Why will she not make the announcement that she will bonour

the report and the figure in it? Mrs Thatcher: If he had listened, I gave him a reply. We have the report of the top salaries and special

We should like to make certain where the money is coming from to meet the recommendations. That is

sound financial principle.
Since this Government came to office, nurses' pay has increased by more than 80 per cent which is ahead of earnings and prices, and nurses have the benefit from a reduced working week. So we have a

The nurses deserve a higher pay Mr Kinnock: Nurses are worth

year.

He said that without these amendments there would be a period, albeit only one year, when for the first time since 1870 inner.

London would not have a directly elected education authority.

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said the

amendment did not represent an overwhelming improvement on the admittedley imperfect interim arrangements proposed by the

The amendment was rejected by 270 votes to 124 votes -

Mr Frederick Silvester (Man-

chester, Withington, C) moved an amendment to prolong the term of office of metropolitan county and

GLC councillors until the end of the

H-month interim period in April

He said the Government would

The metropolitan counties would

remain Labour controlled and there was no reason to suppose the people appointed by the Labour district councils would be any less troublesome. The Labour left was just as capable of creating disruption and chare through the new system.

and chaos through the new system as through the old one.

The real purpose of the Bill was to change the political completion of the GLC and that was the greatest

compliment they could pay to Ken

Livingstone. It was an abandon-ment of Conservative standards.

This amendment called for a stay of execution until April 1986 and its

not be abolishing these councils if they were controlled by Conserva-

Government majority, 146.

Government

rise, well above the current rate of everything they get. Is she suggest-inflation, and she has no plausible ing that nurses pay is dependent in any way on allocations she chooses to make to people on higher salaries? If she is, things are worse than we thought.

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It is time she made clear that there are no other considerations about top salaries which can inhibit

a pay settlement deserved by the

Mrs Thatcher: He is attempting to put words into my mouth. He will not succeed. I was merely suggesting that we should look at all the review hodies together and before we make an announcement, to see where the

resources are coming from. I know that any Labour Government would not, but would pay it and then go back to the IMF. We are still paying back money to

Fall to 4% predicted by Lawson

INFLATION

Retail price inflation would fall to around 4 per cent this time next car, latest forecasts suggested. Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, indicated during ques-tions in the Commons. He added that there needed to be considerable constraints on pay increases. Mr Kenneth Carlisle (Lincoln, C),

who had asked for the latest forecast, said inflation must be kept low and stable to encourage investment and provide jobs. The 8 per cent rise in the cost of materials could damage the fight against rising

Mr Lawson said an increase in input prices was a reflection in the rise in value of the dollar which means oil and other commodities cost more. But against that was the fact that unit labour costs were rising by very, very small amount now. There needs to be considerable constraints on pay increases (he added) because certain of our major

competitors have seen unit labout costs fall. Mr Nigel Forman (Carshalton and Wallington, Ck Does he agree it is vital for public sector pay constraints to continue, particularly in

central and local government?
Mr Lawson: The Government is concerned to keep a firm grip on public expenditure. Mr Joe Ashton (Bassetlsw, Lab) said a massive cut in the cost of electricity would help industry. Mr Lawson: Subsidies are not the

route for bringing down inflation. But it is important to have low cost energy, in particular, low cost coal.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton
South, SDP): In view of the
importance on interest rates, will no the increase be a bitter blow to the strategy the Government is following particularly since he had forecast higher interest rates yet to come? Will this not lead to higher prices and lower investment?

Mr Lawson: Ihave made no forecasts about higher interest rates to come. The rise is not a bitter blow; there will always be fluctuations, particularly with what is happening in America. recent CBI forecast estimated a per cent increase in manufacturing

Home erxtension work was Mr Barney Hayhoe, Minister of State. Treasury. predicted at question time in the Commons. He

question time in the Commons, rie told Mr Michael Brown (Brigg and Cleethorpes, C), who asked what estimate the Chancellor had made of the consequences of his decision to bring the construction of House extensions within the scope of VAT on the level of the black economy. that detailed estimates could not be

Big majorities for Government during all-night sitting

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The House of Commons sat until nearly 5.30 this morning on the committee stage of the Local Government (Interim Provsions) Bill. The Bill provides for the abolition of the elections next year to the Greater London Council and the other six metropolitan councils prior to their abolition. Shortly before 5 am the committee stage vas adjourned until later today. An Opposition amendment to provide for an inquiry before the

elections were cancelled was rejected by 319 votes to 185 – Government majority, 135. During the night Mr Alexander Carille (Montgomery, L) moved an amendment to delete a subsection of the clause governing the beginning and ending of the interim

provisions giving the Secretary of State power to modify the Local Government Act 1972 or the Representation of the People Act 1983, if he thought it necessary, or expedient expedient. Mr Carlile said the Government was taking immense new constitutional powers never given before in

modern times in any respectable democracy. It gave the Secretary of State the authority of a Caesar but the power to knife the constitution with the thrust of a Brutus.

Mr David Clark, an Opposition spokers are the constitution with the thrust of a Brutus. spokesman on the environment (South Shields, Lab), said these

powers should at least be restricted to certain aspects of these Acts. Mr William Waldegrave, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said it would be wrong to delete this subsection because it was the means by which elections could be restored in the event of abolition failing after 1986.

The amendment was rejected by 289 votes to 142 votes Government majority, 147. The clause was approved by 286 votes to 143 votes - Government

najority, 143. Mr Simon Hughes (Southwark and Bermondsey, L) moved the first of a series of amendments to provide for direct elections to the Inner London Education Authority next year and thus providing be said, continuity of service, clarity of purpose and a far better education service than if

purpose was to keep the present councillors in office for a further U modus to give the Government a modus to give the Government a breathing space to prepare and develop its proposals before introducing its main Bill.

The fact that the political completion of some councils would

change as a result of the Govern-ment's proposals was totally unacceptable and broke the well-accepted rules of Britain's consti-

only legitimate way to remove left-wing councils was through the ballot

box.

This amendment would make the Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment said this was a paving Bill and if the main Bill fell the status quo would be restored and the elections reinstated. So it did not make the

moved to nominated councils or whether the existing councillors were allowed to run on, He firmly refuted any suggestion that these proposals were being made in order to secure a change of

political complexion in control only of the councils. The amendment was rejected by 260 votes to 118 votes - Government majority, 142,

Most odious of accusations

No provision had caused mon No provision had caused more offence or greater reaction than the one which if implemented would change the political control of the Greater London Council, Dr John Cmaningham, chief Opposition spokesman on the environment, and the the opposition of the chief of the other states of the opposition of the chief of the other states of the opposition of the chief of the other states of the opposition oppo said when the committee stage of the Local Government (Interim Provisions) Bill was resumed in the Commons. The Opposition did not accept that it should be possible or a consequence of an Act of Parliament that democratically elected political control of an authority

Mr Francis Pym (South-East Cambridgeshire, C) said he was opposed to the whole concept of the Bill. It was an embarrassing waste of parliamentary time. Moving an amendment, which was considered with a number of related amendments, to delete the widely recognized not only in-Parliament but outside the House as one on which the Government had little if any real support. The Government had laid itself wide open to accusations of gerrymander ing the situation in the capital. Fiddling the outcome of elections was perhaps one of the most odious

The amendment was rejected by 271 votes to 168 - Government majority; 103.

Minister defends company car tax Salesmen and managers felt wide- business or setting an upper limit on to realistic levels for all benefits

salesmen and managers felt widespread resentment at the special tax
the tax.
treatment for company cars which
were the tools of their trade,
especially when coal for miners
went untaxed, Mr Hai Miller
(Bromsgrove, C) said during
questions in the Commons. He
suggested either a staged tax relief
on the number of miles covered for

Mr John Moore, Financial Sec-retary to the Treasury, said he had received 40 letters and represen-

tations on this issue. Advertising a car in a job advertisement was obviously seen as an attractive We are seeking (he said) to move

would meet a delegation from ASTMS to discuss the tax ou company cars. Mr Moore said if Mr Lawson was: approached he would always consider such representations.

Defeat over right to buy on university land

HOUSE OF LORDS

The Government suffered a defeat in the House of Lords when an amendment denying tenants of housing associations leasing land from universities the right to buy the freehold of their homes, was carried by 128 votes to 99 -majority 29, during consideration of Commons amendments to the Housing and Building Control Bill. But a Government proposal allowing such tenants the right to purchase long leases to their homes

%as agreed to. The Earl of Selkirk (C), moving the amendmnt, said a number of universities had leased land for which they had no immediate use to housing associations. What would be the situation if tenants of these

freehold when the universities compulsory purchase power available to a private body which meant that any fears about the leasing of

Such a situation would be unsatisfactory to both the potential purchaser of the freehold and the housing association, as there would be no security of tenure or freehold which was against the object of the ail.

If universities were allowed to retain the freehold, everyone would know where they stood. That would be of benefit to all. Cambridge had been ordering its own affairs for 700 years and would know what was best for its own future.

Lord Bellwin, Minister for Local Government, said having imposed a covernment, said having imposed a covernant, a university could ask the Secretary of State to act as agents to acquire the freehold compulsorily if they needed the land at any time for development. It was a unique

land by academic bodies unfounded.

Not only did the provisions exist, they were being actively pursued by the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. The amendment would discriminate against a small group of tenants for unsustainable reasons. The Government was defeated

again, by one vote, when peers insisted on denying the right to buy to elderly people living in accommodation specially adapted to make it suitable for occupation by persons. of pensionable age. The amendment was carried 101 to 100 - majority

Lady Birk (Lab) said that such housing was in very short supply and where there was not enough to

what little there was.
It was not only a right but a duty of the Government to make sure that the people who were really in need of such accommodation had the opportunity to use it.

To deny them that right by selling off specially adapted housing, would be to discriminate against them.

Lord Bellwin said the amendment would be taking away a right that already existed and was not restoring the position to what it was before the Bill was introduced. The Government had added a

safeguard that local authorities could buy back the houses if they were sold within 21 years. It would be wrong to worsen the situation of sixting tenants, which would be the effect of the amendment.

Publishers act to curb illegal photocopying by universities

The publishing industry has launched a campaign against the photocopying by commercial and academic institutions of books and periodicals that is costing publishers and authors £25m a

If the practice continues, it could seriously affect the viability of publishing to the extent that higher prices would chester schools. A recent development of the publishers are pursuing book and periodical publishers are pursuing book and periodical publishers. Mr Peter Dadswell, secretary of the Music Publishers' Association, the Music Publishers' Association, the first process of the publishers are pursuing book and periodical publishers. become inevitable, according to Mr Clive Bradley, chief executive of the Publishers Association.

He said: "Photocopying is clearly an essential means of making information available and we are not trying to be luddite at all: we are after the people who are trying to avoid buying our products".

Mr Bradley's remarks came after an announcement by the association that after allegations of unauthorized photocopying in departments of Manchester University of "substantial" quantities of copyright materials, comprehensive undertakings have been given by the university, including the exhibition of warning notices and the handing over of infringing

number of universities against ters, including 1,100 schools which legal action would have about the perils of unauthorized been taken had they not given copying. One education authundertakings. The University of Kent at Canterbury and War
£1.300 for an infringement of wick University have been the Copyright Act. 1956, approached by the association. Copyring is not confi

170 schools in the area of 245,000 photocopied pages. Mr Bradley said the aim was able to copying. The biggest to reach agreements for licences problem is choral material - the

very time-consuming process of negotiation. There had been one break-

feel we have been subjected to a

through, however, In the next few weeks, local education authorities in England and Scotland will be entering into an experimental scheme with the association covering the next academic

It is understood to be one of a in every institution it adminis-

opment was the collection from sheet music, records and videos costs the industry £350m a year "Music is particularly vulner-

Copying is not confined to book and periodical publishers.

familiar and growing problem for the British Videogram Association. Mr Norman Abbott, chief executive, said copying in the home meant losses "running into millions" The only answer was to impose a levy of at least £1 on a threehour tape which would be a form of licence. Home copying for non-commercial purposes is The Inner London Education technically illegal but pros-Authority has posted warnings ecutions would be impractical.





By Colin Hughes

Wymoudham College, one of Britain's largest maintained boarding schools and the only one in Norfolk, faces closure or conversion into a sixth form

The school, which has 670 boarders out of a total 1,100 pupils. has a reputation for academic excellence. Last year. its sixth formers achieved an A-Level pass rate of 80 per cent and it is one of the few state schools to win four of five Oxbridge scholarships every

However, it costs £2m 2 year to run more than twice the cost of an 1,800 pupil comprehensive in Norfolk - and the Conservative-controlled county council says it can no longer afford the luxury. Another £1.5m is needed to replace

buildings. Councillors say that only 25 children each year cannot do without a boarding place and they can be more cheaply accommodated at private

schools with the authority not unique place.

The college was founded in 1951 and took over a former United States base. Threequarters of the classes are held rundown Nissan huts The county education com-mittee decides its fate in July.

Mrs Gillian Sheperd, the committee chairman, says that the only real options are complete closure or conversion into a sixth-form college. "We are aware that we are dealing with a very special, if

She emphasized that the

college's shining academic record was based on a selective policy. Although it became comprehensive in 1981, the headmaster, Mr Ronald Wolsey, can still turn away any applicant he believes will not fit

Mr Wolsey is hoping to persuade the county council to retain the school and introduce

Karpov set to win in final round By Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent

Of the six adjourned games played yesterday, a rest day in the Phillips & Drew GLC Kings Tournament at County Hall, London, the most striking result was Karpov's first loss in the tournament to the Philippine grandmaster Eugenio Torre. This had been adjourned from the ciohth round when the the eighth round when the world champion resigned

His play has been so powerful throughout the tournament that he remains in the lead by a full point and needs only a draw in the last round today to make sure of first prize.

Results of the adjourned games: Round 8: Torre 1/2 Scirawam 1/2 round 9: Mestel 1/4 Torre 1 round 10 Empran 4 round 11 Torre 1 Karpov 6 Seinawan 0 Anders son 12 Andersson 4

Round 17 scores Karpov 8½
Chandlet and Polygarysky 7½
Timenian 7. Serrawar 6½
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Unemployment increasing among Oxford arts graduates

For the first time, the

to find places in teacher training and the numbers succeeding has

fallen steadily over the past four

Of the total 2,748 who

last year were from

graduated last year, 58 went to

cause it is primarily an arts and humanities university.

Oxford

Wass attack on

Tisdall jailing

More Oxford University arts bagan solicitor training, of graduates are leaving college to which 35 had not read law at join the dole queue or take college, a fall of 50 per cent on short-term jobs but prospects the non-lawyers who enterd the for science graduates are improfession the previous year, proving, a report by the The committee savs the Appointments some art graduates are being als.

deterred by rising Law Society unemployment examination standards and the

The rate of unemployment examination standards and the mong Oxford leavers stayed difficulty of obtaining local steady at 6.3 per cent last year, authority grants for the first two about half the national average. But the split between arts and science students widened. committee reports large num-bers of Oxford graduates failing

Of arts and humanities Of arts and humanities students leaving last year 10.1 per cent of men and 12.8 per cent of women were unemployed or entered short-term jobs, compared with 9.8 per cent for men and 10.3 per cent years from 8.8 per cent to 7 per cent of first degree students. The national average is above 8

for women the year before. Science students fared better. Of men who graduated last year 6.4 per cent were unemployed or in short-term work, com-pared with 7.5 per cent the year before, and the same figure for including 30 in the armed services. Eight of the 24 graduates accepted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office last year were from women fell from 6.3 per cent of 1982 leavers to 5.8 per cent of

last year's.

The committee says that
Oxford students, like those Another striking shift among Oxford students is in numbers from other universities, are now having to cast their net over a wider range of prospective employers, apply later, accept lower positons and consider try. Last year, 10.8 pr cent went into industry, against 13.1 five years ago. Oxford's proportion is two-thirds the national average entering industry, bevocational training before applying for full-time posts.

One of the sharpest and most surprising changes is in the law. Oxford still supplies the City.
Of 331 graduates entering
commerce last year, 25 became
stockbrokers. Numbers becom-Numbers choosing the uncertain future of training for the Bar rose to 44 last year and only 29 of those read law at college. Among those choosing to ing bankers, a traditional become solicitors the reverse Oxford preserve, fell from 128 was true. Last year 136 students in 1982 to 106 last year.

Sir Donglas Wass, former Joint Head of the Home Civil Service, today attacks the jailing of Miss Sarah Tisdall, the Foreign Office clerk sentenced to six months' imprison-ment in March under section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, for leaking a confidential minute about the deployment of cruise

in a book review published in The Times Educational Supplement, Sir Douglas writes: "We must be almost alone in the civilized world in involving the crimical law to

invoking the crimical law to

stop leaks irrespectrive of the nature of the injury caused or

embarrasssing is quite unjusti-

fied . Sir Douglas said yesterday:

"I would have sacked her summarily. But sending her to

jug for six months is absurd".

In his review, Sir Douglas
says "we must be careful"
before denouncing people like

Miss Tisdall out of hand. "The

deterrent effect of a prosecution

must be infinitesimal where the breach of trust by an otherwise

the intentions of the leaker. Applying the criminal law leaks which are merely

Fred Astaire celebrates 85 happy years

Hollywood (AFP) - Fred Astaire, acclaimed as the world's greatest dancer by fellow artists, yesterday cel-ebrated his eighty-fifth birth-day with his wife in their Beverly Hills luxury villa.

I never really thought about my age until I reached 80. Then everybody made a big thing of it, and people were saying 'Oh, he's one of those octagenarians...' Well, I didn't feel any different then and I don't now", he told friends. "My health is good, I'm happy and I'm doing what I want to do, so what's all the fuss about?"

Fred Astaire is one of Hollywood's more discreet stars, refusing to accept American university honorary degrees or take part in television programmes dedicated to his career. But two years ago, after hesitating for a long time, he agreed to be honoured by the American Film Institute.

Producers still come to him with offers. He made his last film Ghost Story only two years ago. But one thing is certain; he will never tap dance professionally again.

The man described by the

Russian choreographer Georges Balanchine, and by Rudolph Nureyev, as the world's greatest dancer says today, apparently without re-gret: "It is a part of my career which is over. I am an actor

Born Frederick Austerlitz on May 10, 1899 in Omaha,



Merry dance: Fred Astaire pictured left celebrating his 85th with Ginger Rogers.

Nebraska, he was seven years old when he started dancing Fred Astaire was attracted

by Hollywood, and went there for a test. The verdict has become film history: "... Can't act. Slightly bald. Can dance a

Nevertheless, he managed to get a small part in 1933 in Dancing Lady, starring Joan Crawford. The same year he married Phyllis Potter and shortly afterwards made his

first film with an almost unknown dancer, Ginger

A long line of films followed which charmed the entire world, including Roberta, Top Hat, Follow the Fleet, Swing Time. Shall We Dance.

The Astaire-Rogers partner-ship broke up in 1939, but he another in musical comedy films with other partners In all his films he played the

part of an elegant dandy, with top bat, evening suit, white gloves and twirling walking

Today Fred Astaire lives with his second wife, a former jockey 45 years younger than her husband, far away from the Hollywood daily showbusiness scene. As he grows older, he is less critical of his films. "I see them on television once in a while, and you know, they are pretty darned good."

Court to investigate Pinochet land deal

The case was referred to a which last week received a petition from prominent opponents of the military government saying that General
Pinochet could have broken
fraud and conflict of interest

cameras offering the President their support and dismissing the charges, while he has assured them that he has done nothing

appeal court has appointed one matter, the first scandal to of its members to investigate touch President Pinochet peralleged irregularities in the sonally after more than 10 years purchase of land for a private in power, have been thwarted house by President Augusto by yesterday's court decision.

The sums involved are plenary session of the appeals comparatively small, but diplocourt by the Supreme Court, mais say that the issue is potentially dangerous for the President because army officers

laws.

For several days, senior military and government figures have paraded before television bis house land left over was The most damaging aspect of

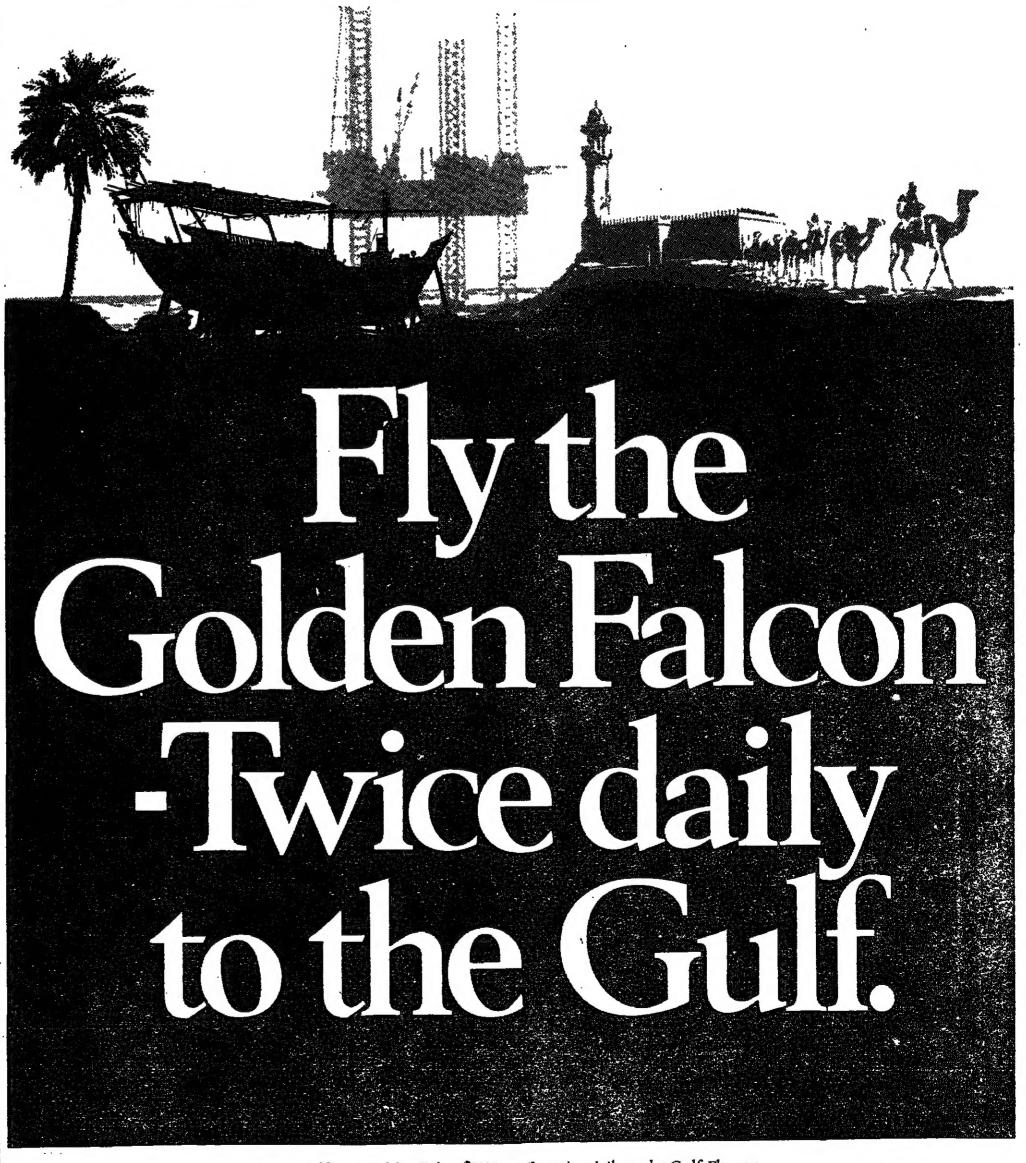
Yugoslavs go on trial for criticizing regime

From Dessa Trevisan, Belgrade

Two of the 28 Belgrade participation in "unauthorized nellectuals who were arrested political gatherings" and public and subsequently released in a spectacular police raid on a political meeting in a private home last month are to be charged with alleged hostile propaganda after being rear-rested on Wednesday night.

Explaining the reason for tuals recently urged the abolarresting Mr Miodrag Milic, a ition of this offence. Under it freelance film worker, and Mr verbal criticism is a criminal Dragomir Olujic in whose flat the meeting took place, an official announcement referred orities to make the slightest to their continuing active critical remark a crime.

The article under which the two men will be charged provides for a sentence of up to 10 years for a so-called verbal political offence. A number of Yugoslav lawyers and intellec-



Protests over public bird-killing contest

people will kill poultry.

The competition instructions read: "Kill and pluck one bird. If a competitor is unable to kill a bird, assistance will be given at a loss of 10 penalty points."

The competition, planned by Bedfordshire Young Farmers at an agricultural rally at Battles-den, near Woburn, on May 19, has sections for under-16s,

Police and the RSPCA are said inquiries would be made. investigating plans for a public He said: "To break the neck of a competition in which young bird requires a knack and

Sir Douglas: I would have

sacked her summarily'.

loyal person is dictated by

Sir Douglas calls for a right of public access to official information to be established

by statute. He praised the 1984 Campaign for Freedom of

Information, to which he is an

adviser, for having "leant over backwards to be responsible" As a former Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, he says

the campaign is too cautious

information about the currency

degree of force."
Mrs Lynn Bardill, Animal
Aid, called the competition "absolutely disgusting". Mrs Barbara Barber, of Compassion in World Farming called it barbaric.

However, Mr Chris Hunt chairman of the rally's organization committed, said entrants would have been trained by under-21s and seniors.

Chief Inspector Tony said: "The killing of a bird is Sheridan, of Biggleswade police, done in a second."

Sarah Keays 'not badgered' by Mirror man

There was a genuine public interest in the possibility that Mr Cecil Parkinson was the father of the baby Miss Sarah Keays was expecting, and two Daily Mirror reporters behaved properly and politely when asked her whether this was so,

the Press Council said today. However, the newspaper was not justified in following Miss Keays and a woman friend in two cars through London late at night, the council said. The council rejected a com-

plaint by Mr D. A. Spark, a solicitor, of The Rotyngs, Rottingdean, Brighton, that Miss Keays was badgered by Mirror reporters, but upheld his complaint that she was im-

properly pursued. Mr Spark based his com-plaint on the statement issued by Miss Keays and published in The Times. In it she said she was visited at her London home by reporters from the Daily Mirror "who demanded to know if it was true that I was pregnant by Mr Parkinson".

Mr Michael Molloy, editor of the Mirror, said in a reply to the council that a letter from him published in The Times con-tained a clear denial that the newspaper's car had rammed Miss Keays's car.

Sun distorted replies on video nasty

A report in *The Sun* which quoted a sociology lecturer as saying he would happily show a video nasty to his daughter aged nine distorted his replies and misleadingly omitted qualifications he made to answers the Press Council says today.

The council upheld a complaint by Mr Martin Barker, a lecturer in sociology at Bristol Polytechnic, that the paper distorted replies which he gave when interviewed and omitted his qualifying statements, and that an explanatory statement offered by the newspaper was an inadequate remedy.

After an article by Mr Barker appeared in New Society Mr John Kay of The Sun tele-phoned Mr Barker and wrote a report which appeared under the headline "Let kids see nasty TV videos." It began: "A college lecturer switched on a furious row yesterday when he urged parents: 'Let your children watch video nasties".

Mr Barker said he was asked whether he would let his children watch a video nasty? He had replied he would not refuse but would want to talk to

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Reagan's speech on Central America wins back support

worded broadcast on Central moderate, in that country's America on Wednesday night presidential elections last Sun-America on Wednesday hope-appears not only to have day.

The President deleted criti-Salvador, but also may have defused Central America as an aid package.
issue in the US Presidential The House of Represent

The President said the United States had a strategic as well as a moral interest in helping to resist the spread of Soviet - and Cuban-backed communist subversion in Central America. Unless it assisted struggling democracies such as El Salvador, the alternative would be "a communist Central America with additional comnunist bases on the mainland of this hemisphere, and communist subversion spreading southward and northward."

The President sought to allay widespread fears among the American public about growing US military involvement in the region. The issue was "defi-nitely not about plans to send American troops into combat in Central America", he said. But he made it clear that his

to support Nicaraguan rebels, whom he referred to as "free-dom fighters", in their Central Intelligance Agency – financed struggle against the left-wing Sandinista regime in Nicaragua. The Preside spoke shortly before the World Court in The lague called on the United

Nicaraguan rebels, known as 'contras''. The Sandinistas, he claimed, were carrying out "a communist and were now trying "to export

states to end its shpport for the

orces in their battle against left- criminal and aggressive conduct wing insurgents, particularly in against Honduras.'
view of the apparent victory of Leading arti

Karamanlis

renews

Games offer

By Our Foreign Staff

reece has renewed his offer of

He said the decision had

future of "a unique and age old

Instead of promoting ecu-

menical brotherhood the Olym-pic Games had become a factor

of international tension and

commercial exploitation. A

permanent site for the Games

would eliminate these disad-

Meanwhile Vietman has also pulled out of the Games. A

ommunist Party newspaper in

lanoi yesterday accused the US

Government of drawing up plans to kidnap Vietnamese

Poland and Romania have not

officially announced if they will

oin the Eastern block boycott

begun in Moscow and followed

participation was likely to be

Committee meeting on May 17.

France, Japan and the Vati-

can have all stepped into the Olympic dispute. M Nelson Paillou, President of the French

Olympic Committee sent a

elegram yesterday pleading

with his Soviet counterpart to

save the Olympic movement

up by East Berlin and Sofia.

Hungary.

Czechoslovakia.

President Karamanlis

Los Angeles games.

vantages.

President Reagan's strongly- Senor Jose Napoleon Duarte, a

succeeded in persuading Congress finally to approve his cisms of Congress from earlier request for increased aid to El drafts of his speech in order to win bipartisan support for his

tives had been blocking the President's request for \$62m (£44m) in immediate emergency aid for El Salvador and \$132m for fiscal 1985. But Mr Thomas O'Neill, the House Speaker, made it clear that the House would continue to oppose the requested \$21m for the CIA-backed Nicaraguan

The main reason for the President's address was to explain his Central American policy to the American public and to warn them of the dire prevent the spread of "commu nist subversion" in the region. MANAGUA: Señor Daniel Ortega the Nicaraguan junta leader has accused President Reagan of "maliciously distorting" both the Sandinista revol-But he made it clear that his ution and its foreign policy Administration would continue during his televised address Schor Ortega, addressing Labour ministers at the ponaligned movement characte-rized the President's appeal for understanding of his Central American policies as "desper-ate". He added: "To justify his request he did no more than to repeat a series of unfounded

Government. • TEGUCIGALPA: Honduras announced the recall of its ambassador to Nicaragua reign of terror" in their country after Sandinista troops shot and were now trying "to export down a Honduran helicopter, their terror to every other killing all eight people on board country in the region".

Señor Edgardo Paz Barnica. The President's Democratic the Foreign Minister, said the critics yesterday predicted he recall did not represent a break would now get most of the in relations but could lead to noney he had been seeking to one "if the Sandinista Governolster El Salvador's armed ment does not rectify its

and absurd slanders against our

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Naturalist has bird on the brain

Sava, Fiji (Reuter) - British naturalist Dick Watling's year-long search in Fiji for a bird thought to be extinct ended when it crashed on his head.

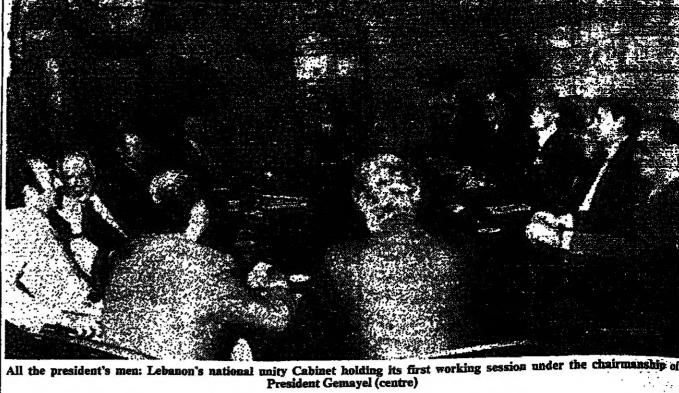
The bird, known as MacGillivray's Petrel, was recorded for the first and last time 129 years ago on the island of Gan, midway between this South Pacific state's two main islands.

A survey ship caught one specimen of the small black and brown bird which is now stuff ed and on show in a London museum.

Watling said he proved last week that the bird still existed when he lured one specimen in at night from the sea using flashlights and amplified

recordings. It crashed on his head, then after examining the dazed bird he let it go. "I can't take one as a specimen until I know how many there are", said Watling,

a Fiji resident. He had made several trips to Gau sponsored by the Inter-national Council for Bird



Cabinet's first job to reform Lebanon army

Lebanon's "national unity" Cabinet held its first meeting esterday and quickly agreed to Muslim demands to reform the army. During the February fighting in west Beirut, the Army split along sectarian

The Cabinet also appointed committee of ministers under

backed Prime Minister, to develop a political platform for, presentation to the Lebanese Parliament. "We are now marching

towards peace". Mr Karami said in a statement broadcast on state radio after the Cabinet session. He also said that the ministers would meet again today, with the country's

hamstrung transportation system at the top of the agenda. Beirut's port and airport have been closed since February 6, and all but one road between the Christian and Muslim sectors of the capital are closed. In the rest of the

country, many roads are unpassable. President Gemayel. chaired the meeting at his

miles north-east of Beirut, told reporters: "The atmosphere

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In fact, the session marked the first time since the start of the civil war in 1975 that the country's principal "warlords" all given ministerial posts in the new Government - gathered around a table in their own

Zimbabwe press tour a fiasco

From Stephen Taylor

first attempt by the Zimbabwe Army to take foreign ournalists into the Matabeleland South province since a harsh curfew was imposed more than three months ago was abandoned on Wednesday when the escorted group got lost in the operational zone.

The tour, led by Lieutenant-General Rex Nhongo, had been arranged by the Government in an attempt to counter reports of widespread atrocities against the Ndebele inhabitants of the troubled province.

More than 40 correspondents left Bulawayo in an army bus just after midday having first reported to officials at 8.30. The delay was the first of a series of misfortunes to befall the tour which turned into a fiasco.

General Nhongo had promised that journalists would be taken wherever they requested. Correspondents submitted a list of eight priority areas but the general insisted that the tour set off on an indirect route to a place named Brunapeg, which had been mentioned by journalists but was not on the list. At 1.20 pm the bus with four

armed escort vehicles entered the curfew area. daylight the group saw a total of about a dozen civilians along

the way. Most villages seemed deserted. The tour group did not stop to speak to anyone. The bus then got stuck in soft sand while trying to cross a dry

river bed. Two escort vehicles managed to tow it out in half an hour. At 4.40 pm the journalists agreed that the enterprise had become a shambles and asked to return directly to Bulawayo. At 5.10 pm with the light fading the soldiers in the leading vehicle admitted that they had no maps of the area. We do not know where we are

Finally, after asking directions at a kraal, the bus reached Brunapeg at 7.05 pm to be met by General Nhong. The news men declined to attend a briefing on the security situation and insisted on being taken straight back to Bula-

but we are not lost" one soldier

wayo. should return to Bulawayo The weary party, having

Minister, Mr Ali Akbar Yellayati, left for Tripoli with a good-will message, according to the Iranian National News Agency (Irna). Before he left Tehran, Mr eaten only army rations and having drunk nothing since setting out, reached Bulawayo again at 12.45 am yesterday morning, almost 13 hours after Yellayati accused the United States and its allies of mounting setting out and without having visited a single site of alleged

Shamir rebukes minister for terror speech

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

Ethiopia blast confirms

Libya terror links

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Prime Minister, has publicly dissociated himself from outspoken remarks made by a member of his Cabinet, Mr Yuval Neeman, who shocked many Israelis by claiming there had been "positive results" from the Jewish terror attack which maimed two West Bank mayors in 1980.

The argument by Mr Nee-man, the Science Minister and eader of the small Techiya Party, that the attack on the elected Palestinian leaders should be treated differently from other terrorist crimes now being investigated among 25 Jewish settlers under arrest has caused a political storm that seems certain to spill over into the forthcoming election cam-

A government communique stated: "The remarks of Minister Neeman were contrary to the opinions of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir which have by the Government's press been expressed in Cabinet office.

bere five Libvans and an

Ethiopian died in a mystery

explosion is thought to have

been used as an arsenal for

"liberation" movements in the

Several other people were

injured and the death toll may

rise, according to sources in the Ethiopian capital, who say the blast was caused by a device of some kind inside the house.

The Libyan People's Bureau

(embassy) in the city refused to

answer the telephone or open the door to callers, and the

Ethiopian Government is unlikely to make any statement

regarding the incident.
But this latest evidence of

Libyan involvement in inter-

national terrorism, can serve

only to put Western security

forces even more on their guard and to underline British con-

cern for the 8,000 to 9,000

expatriates living and working

in Libya itself.

A promise of support for Colonel Gaddafi came yester-

day from Iran whose Foreign Minister, Mr Ali Akbar

Hom of Afdrica.

meetings and in public. The Premier's opinion is clear and well known. He rejects all attempts of the type relating to the suspects under arrest."

This did not prove sufficient for the main opposition Labour Party, which responded with its own statement expressing "as-tonishment" at Mr Neeman's justification for the bombing of the mayors and calling on Mr Shamir to put his reservations into effect by sacking the Science Minister.

Another call for the Minister's dismissal came from Mr Ezer Weizman, leader of the new Yahad Centre Party. The former Likud Defence Minister, who could play a vital role in determining the shape of the next Israeli Cabinet, was himself attacked in Mr Neeman's original statement. This was not delivered in the form of off-thecuff remarks but rather as a formal communique distributed

assassination attempt on

Colonel Gaddafi himself has

accused the US. Britain and

Sudan, among others, of arming

to deny categorically any in-

Foreign Office is planning a series of meetings with com-

panies which have employees in

being considered. The advice

being given to firms at present

is to use their commercial

judgment on matters which arise, while Breitish citizens in

Libya have been told that they

should consider their situation carefully.

There are a number of

contingency plans for helping

the expatriates after the with-drawal of the British ambassa-

The Italian Embassy

Tripoli is looking after British

interests meanwhile, together

officials who have remained

there. But the Foreign Office

points out that this arrangement

can be no proper substitute for a

two British consular

dor and his staff.

Meanwhile in London, the

volvements in the attack.

Libyan leader on Tuesday.

China and Vietnam in clashes

Kunming, China (Reuter) -Chinese frontier guards repulsed several Vietnamese raids in the past week in the southern border regions of Yunnan and Guangai, according to the New China news agency.

A senior official in Yumnan rejected charges by Vietnam that Chinese forces were mounting their own attacks across the

Useful meeting

Peking - Britain and China had "useful and constructive talks" on the future of Hongkong vesterday and the day before, according to a British Embassy spokesman the next round of talks, the fifteenth will be held on May 30-31 in Peking.

Mauroy better.

French Prime Minister, who has been in hospital since May 4 suffering from an undefined lung infection, is expected to leave hospital tomorrow and resume his duties in full on

Taiwan charge The house in Addis Ababa is thought, to the reported

Taipei (Reuter) - A former Pai Chi-Ho, aged 66, has been charged with forgery and corruption in connexion with a loan fraud involving £2.2hm.

and training dissidents who are Dock blaze said to have taken part in Tuesday's gun battle in Tripoli. Tunisia yesterday went as far as

San Francisco (AP) - A fire destroyed two piers and caused at least \$2.5m (£1.8m) on the San Francisco waterfront. The city fire chief said it was the worst blaze he had ever seen on the waterfront.

Libys, to work out a joint strategy of their protection Officials would not discuss specific proposals which are Briton jailed

Paris - David Wilson, a 42-year-old Briton, was sentenced to six- years' imprisonment in Bayonne for trying to take 238lb of cannabis into France from Spain in December.

Sniper gives up

Quebec City (Reuter) - A two passers-by on Wednesday surrendered early yesterday, after a 24-hour siege of his house. He was named as Jean-Claude Nadeau, aged 39:

Correction

The 831 deaths in South African mines last year were 24 more than in 1982, not 230 more, as stated on May 4.

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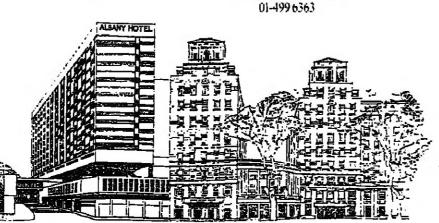
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From Michael Hamlyn

launched by the Sri Lankan Government of Mr J. R.

Jayewardene with a national and international fanfare in

the All-Ceylon Tamil Congress (ACTC), the two principal parties of Sri Lanka's ethnic

developed on local government bodies, the second would

Craxi turns

down P2

resignations

From John Earle Rome

Signor Bettino Craxi, the Italian Prime Minister, Yester-day rejected the resignations of

his three Social Democrat

ministers in a flare-up of the P2

One of the three, Signor Pietro Lougo, Minister of the Budget and Social Democrat

party secretary, was on the list of more than 900 alleged

members of the secret and now

banned P2 masonic lodge, on interim report by Signora Tina Anselmi, the Christian Demo-crat chairwoman of Parlia-ment's all-party P2 commission of inquiry, has said that the list

The other two, Signor Franco Nicolazzi, Minister of Public Works and Signor Pierlaigi Romits, Minister for

the Regions, were not on the

Signor Lougo, who has always denied membership.

took them to an unexpect meeting with Signor Craxi, at the end of which it was announced that the three had

expressed indignation at the

"arbitrary judgements and defamatory intent" of the

Signor Craxi, a Socialist, told them that he shared the feelings behind their protest.

Signor Longo contests, the authenticity of the list.

South Africa, pursuing the activist diplomacy which began with agreements earlier this year with Mozambique and Angola, will be involved in a complex set of negotiations with its black neighbours today and temporary.

Most attention is focused on Lusaka, the Zambian capital, where Dr Willie van Niekerk, South Africa's Administrator-General in Namibia, arrived yesterday for talks today with Mr Sam Nujoma, the exited leader of Swapo, the guerrilla organization fighting for Namibia's independence.

bia's independence.
It is the first direct encounter

between South Africa and

Swapo since the abortive Geneva conference of January 1981, held under United

Nations auspices. Swapo has been waging a desultory, but

gradually intensifying, war with South Africa for 18 years.

been seriously weakened, how-

ever, by the February 16

security agreement between Angola and South Africa which, in effect, has cut Swapo's access to Namibia from its bases in

Speaking in Parliament in

Cape Town on Wednesday night, Mr "Pik" Botha, the

southern Angola.

Mr Nujoma's position has

report and offered to resign.

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because it is their country and their right to do it. Then I have an entity with which I can negotiate. process towards a regional settlement, outside the framework of the United Nations, for The talks in Lusaka, Mr Botha contended, "have nothing to do with the South African Government as such", Party Conference, which ar-



Sri Lanka all-party talks

face collapse as

to return the attention of the

When the conference resumed on Wednesday after a seven-week break, the Govern-"Annexure C".
This represented the fruit of ment proposed, as was disclosed by *The Times* earlier, that two committees be formed. One the discussions between the Sri Lanka and the Indian governwould discuss the powers to be ments in the latter part of last year. At the end of the process Mr Jayewardene - as reported by Mr Amirthalingam - told Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian consider minority grievances in education, employment and language.
The TULF and the ACTC Prime Minister, that he would press for regional councils as the devolved authority. The TULF understood this to mean a combination of provincial councils, and on that basis were announced that they would not participate in the committees unless the conference first decided to what unit of local government the powers were to be devolved. Mr Appapillai Amirthalingam, the General Secretary of the TULF, told me

persuaded to attend the talks. Annexure C, however, was Amirthalingam, the General Secretary of the TULF, told me yesterday that the Tamils felt began in January. Mr Ranabetrayed and lied to by the Government They were trying Minister, told Parliament that

Police use

whips

on pupils From Our Own Corresspondent
Johannesburg

Eighteen people were injured

yesterday when police used sjamboks (whips) to disperse crowds of pupils in a fresh

outbreak of violence at schools

in black townships near Pretoria. Nearly all the injured were schoolchildren, though one policeman was reported to have

been hurt by a stone thrown by

The incidents occurred on the third day after the reopening of two high schools closed by

many weeks of disturbances and

boycotts of classes by pupils

who say that the Government has failed to meet their griev-ances. A black schoolgiri was killed in clashes with police in

Most of the 6,000 pupils at

the two schools turned up yesterday but refused to attend

schoolyards demanding the

release of one of their colleagues

arrested by the police. The Department of Education and

Training, which handles black education, says this is a matter

to be settled between the police

Underlying the unrest are representative councils; the

abolition of the age limit

regulation which means that

pupils over the age of 20 can be

refused reentry to school; and the abolition, or control, of

Mr Sam Nujoma: Ready to

negotiate

Kenneth Kaunda or else a very senior Zambian official will be

joint chairmen of the meeting. Apparently, however, this does not preclude Dr Van Niekerk

from negotiating on South Africa's behalf.

Hitherto Mr Nujoma has always dismissed the internal

parties as puppets and insisted that he will only talk to South

Africa. However, he appears 10

have abandoned that position,

and one of the internal parties,

the Damara Council, as well as

dissidents from another, Swanu

(South West Africa National

Union), have left the Multi-

Party Conference to form part

South Africa's aim, it is

becoming clear, is to try to

nudge the Namibian negotiating

which Pretoria has an intense

of his delegation.

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corporal punishment.

Nujoma face to face

with South Africa

agree to a devolved authority larger than the district council, and the President himself told me: "Anything further than district councils would cause an

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The Tamils now feel that they have heard all this before. "We spent four years discussing the powers that should be devolved on district councils", Mr Amirthalingam said yester-day. "Now the President thinks he can do it all again in a fortnight."

"The Government has failed Mr Jayewardene: warning of to make a serious effort at a explosion negotiated settlement", Mr

Amirihalingam added.
We have negotiated with conference to a document them for years, and we have known in conference jargon as made it plain that district councils will never satisfy us. We thought that because of India's intervention at least they would honour their commitment to another govern-ment, but they seem to be treating their commitment to another government as they have treated ourselves."

Mr Amirthalingan was firm.

"The all-party conference as it is at present functioning is an exercise in futility," he said.

The next move by the TULF is to launch a non-violent direct

action protest movement against the effects of the emergency regulations on the Tamil population of the north-ern and eastern provinces of Sri Lanka. The protest is expected to begin in a month's time.



Kremlin ceremony: King Juan Carlos of Spain and Queen Sofia flanked by President Chernenko and his wife Anna in

Warm Moscow welcome for King of Spain

From Richard Owen Moscow

In a display of ceremonial which would have done the Russian ancient regime proud, the Soviet leadership yesterday gave King Juan Carlos and Queen Soits of Spain a glittering welcome as they began a six-day visit marking reconciliation between Russia and Spain.

The royal couple were met at Vnukovo airport by Mr Nikolai Tikhonov, the Prime Minister, and Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Foreign Minister. The minis-ters' wives were also present. ter between a European mon-government," one official re-

official convoy of black limousines through flag-bedecked streets, smiling and waving at the citizens of republican, communist Russia, some of whom prayed back whom waved back.

The ministers' wives were also present at the Kremlin. where President Chernenko and his wife Anna Dmitrievna were waiting in fromt of the grand Kremlin Palace.

regarded as a benevolent em- a referendum. bodiment of the principle of divine right constitutionally restricted - as he played a key role in restoring democracy after nearly four decades of fascist rule under General Franco. Memories are still strong in Soviet Russia of the Spanish Civil War. In which

together with a phalanx of soviet officials. The Spanish King and Queen then sped in an ution. King Juan Carlos is marked yesterday. "Even if it is in Nato. "Spain's Nato membership has been frozen pending

Pravda yeterday praised Soviet-Spanish relations as a "bridge of co-operation" and said that positive changes had taken root since Spain and Russia established diplomatic relations seven years ago, a comparatively short period of Moscow backed the republican

The King is accompanied by the Spanish Foreign Minister Schor Fernando Morán, who is economy faltering and law and to hold talks with Mr Gromyko. | order deteriorating.

All political reporting banned in **Pakistan**

yesterday without their usuai sprinkling of political news and opposition statements after the military Government banned all reporting on outlawed

political parties. Newspaper editors said the Information Ministry issued the ban on Wednesday night, just after the opposition Movement for the Restoration of Democracy (MRD) condemned the Government's plan for elections by next March.

The indefinite ban covers all news and comments by or about politicians both inside and outside Pakistan, they said. Not even the names of parties which were banned in 1979 can

be mentioned.
Officially Pakistan has no press censorship but editors say information Ministry officials regularly telephone them with "advice" on which stories to

suppress and which to play up.
Coverage of the opposition
increased recently as politicians arrested before or during the MRD's two months of antigovernment protests last autumn were freed and resumed their activities.

The 11-member MRD states that Pakistan faces a "crisis of unprecedented magnitude." It accused President Zia of treating the people with contempt and said basic human rights were denied, the Press muzzled. the judiciary crippled, the

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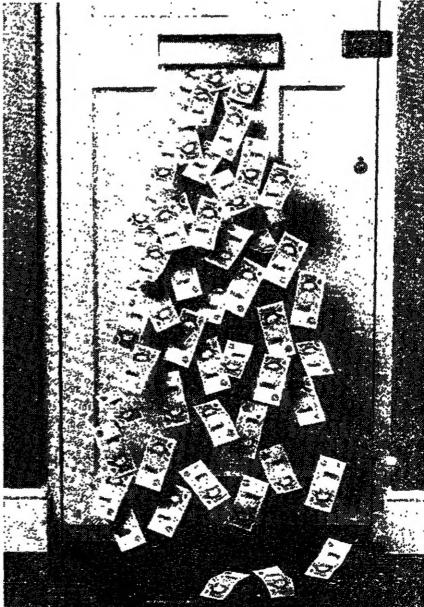
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but were between Swapo and a delegation of the internal (ie non-violent) Namibian parties forming the so-called Multirived in Lusaka yesterday.

Botha, the South African Prime

It is understood that Dr Van

Niekerk and either President

Botha, the South African Prime

Minister, on security and
economic matters.

Meanwhile, a Swaziland delegation, led by the Prime Minister, Prince Diamini, and

senior members of the Liqoqo, the inner royal council, arrived in Cape Town yesterday for talks today with Mr P. W. Pope praises

Thailand

hospitality

to refugees

From Neil Kelly

The Pope, who arrived in

Bangkok yesterday for a two-

day visit on the final stage of

his Asian-Pacific tour, is

expected to appeal to world

governments to provide more

aid for Indochinese refugees

when he visits 18,000 of them

at a camp outside Bangkok today. Many of the refugees

from Vietnam, Cambodia and

During a meeting with King Bhumibol and other members

of the royal family after his

arrival from Papua New Gui-

nea, the Pope praised Thai-land's "generous hospitality to thousands and thousands of refugees", and said he had come to thank the King and the

Thai people personally. He also spoke of Thailand's

respect for man's right to religious freedom which, he told the King, "renders im-

The King in his response

bringing European science and

technology as well as the Christian faith to Thailand.

Thailand is predominantly Buddhist but the King consti-tutionally is "the upholder of all religions", including Chris-

tianity. Although Chirstianity has been in Thailand more than

Catholic priests for

mense honour to your land".

Laos are Catholics.

Kohl's party defeats tax amnesty rebels and rallies behind him

After Chancellor Helmut Kohl's victory over party opponents of his plans for an amnesty for firms who evaded tay on party donations. West Germany's Christian Demo-erats yesterday rallied behind trenchant attacks on the Social Democrats and on trade union calls for strikes to back de-

mands for a 35-hour week. Government ministers addressing the party congress here accused the unions of damaging the country's economic revival, and said the SPD and the Greens, with their suspicions of new technology and their message of economic and social gloom, offered no alternative to the successful CDU policies that alone would guarantee more jobs and budgetary disci-

The defeat - by a majority of 473 to 178 - of the incipient revolt in party ranks, especially among young CDU supporters. the amnesty plans removed the only challenge to the Chancellor at this three-day congress and suggests the Government will be able to ride out the storm over its controversial proposals. Under the amnesty, investigations into some 1.800 cases of tax evasion are to be dropped.

afternoon on three gounds, campaigns are a kind of war."

in her reply contested her mother-in-law's claim to the

property and pleaded that her

concern for her grandson was

only a "political gimmick". The judge held Mrs Gandhi

to be a Hindu. Although married to a parsee, the

Metalworkers call

for strike Frankfurt (Reuter) - About 250,000 key West German industrial workers belonging to I. G. Metall the metalworkers union, will be called out on a regional strike starting on applied to squatters and wine Monday in support of a 35sweeteners. hour-week, a spokesman for the union, the country's largest,

companies giving money to political parties had done so with a clear conscience, unaware they were breaking any tax laws, many financial sup-porters of the CDU had stuck by the party in difficult times in the past and the party should not leave them in the lurch; and so many people, including party treasurers, public prosecutors, politicians and businessmen. had ignored irregularities for so long that it was unfair to start

said last night.

prosecutions now. The amnesty was vigorously championed by Herr Josef Strauss, the chairman of the Bayarian-based Christian Social Union and one of the main recipients of political donations, who stated bluntly. "To carry Herr Kohl defended this in a on a war you need money and special debate on Wednesday ever more money, and election

Opponents argued that it was a moral rather than a political issue. People's respect for the law would be damaged and the party brought into ill-repute. Herr Christopher Boehr, the chairman of the Junge Union (Young Conservatives), rejected the defence of acting in good faith, as this could also be

But such arguments failed to sway the majority of delegates. who in a secret ballot gave the Government a clear mandate, though one that was considerably weaker than the party leadership might have hoped for at such a gathering, to drop the whole embarrassing issue.
Other debates were little

more than a ritual endorsement of Government policies and a seal of approval on the undisputed leadership of Herr Kohl, whose reputation in his party is probably now at its height. Herr Gerhard Stoltenberg,

the Finance Minister, presented his plans for a massive tax cut of DM20,000m (£5,168m) by 1986, but warned delegates that this would have to be paid for by higher indirect taxes

Herr Norbert Blum, the spirited Minister of Labour. challenged West Germany to seize the opportunities the computer revolution presented for new patterns of work:

Russia says

four centuries this is the first visit by a Pope. On his arrival from Port Moresby, he made his customary gesture, kneeling swiftly to kiss the ground. After a meeting with the Supreme Patriarch, the head of Thailand's Buddhist hierarchy, the Pope, assisted by 500 Thai Catholic priests, conducted an open air Mass in the national stadium. Tens of thousands of Catholics flocked to Bangkok for the service which also included traditional Thai danc-

ing and other displays by 2,500 children from Catholic schools might be a danger to the Pope. Some Thai newspapers last

Royal greeting: The Pope on his arrival in Thailand yesterday, accompanied by King Bhumibol and followed by Queen Sirikit.

Bangkok has never seen such security measures. More than 4,000 police and secutrity men are deployed around the city. Outside the capital troops are on alert. A senior police officer described the Pope's visit as "an objective test of Thai security". The Thai authorities have abtained reports from foreign intelligence agencies about the whereabouts of international terrorists who

night published unconfirmed reports that Thai police had been warned that the Venezuelan terrorist, "Carlos" was in Thailand.

The main fear of the authorities is that foreign terrorists might employ a local man to make an attack. Last week a Bangkok man masquerading as a securtity officer was arrested in a hospital room which the Pope will visit today. demonstrations

against the Pope's visit by

today become the first Austra-

lian to visit the Soviet Union in

ditional culture in Thailand, also worry the authorities. The Prime Minister was urged to cancel the visit because of the allegations. Buddhists, however, seem to have little cause to worry about the activities of Christian churches and missionaries. After more than and 400 years Christianity has fewer than 250,000 followers in

Buddhist extremists, who claim

that the Vatican is trying to

undermine Buddhism and tra-

Unesco. put forward by Mr Amadou M'Bow, its General Secretary, were encouraging but did not cover all areas of concern. Mr John Gordon, the UK permanent delegate, said vesterday. "Naturally, we would want to explore more thoroughly the detailed implications of what he

Britain still

sees need

for change

at Unesco

From Diana Geddes

Proposals for reform of

is proposing and to see to what extent they conform with our own ideas on the need for change. But we feel that his proposals, as far as they go, are encouraging and in the right direction." he said. In his opening speech to the

51-member executive board of Unesco, lasting three hours. Mr M'Bow put forward general proposals for improving personnel selection, decentralizing the organization's activities, removing secreey from expenditure. improving methods of evaluating its programmes.

He did not touch on criticisms concerning the "politicization" of programmes or financial mismanagement. which are at the heart of American, British and other Western complaints about Linesco.

Britain has said that it will have to reconsider its membership unless there are "significant indications of change" by the end of the year. The US has announced that it will definitely withdraw at the end of 1984 unless radical changes are

impossible, however, as many of the changes the US seeks would have to be approved at the next Unesco general conference, not due to take place until October 1985.

On May 17 the executive board is due to discuss the US decision to withdraw and

Danes withhold part of missile site costs

balance of its agreed contribution to the costs of setting up Pershing and cruise missile sites in fellow Nato states.

Parliament passed by votes to 12 an opposition Social

Denmark is to withhold the centre-right Government, which abstained. Last year Parliament voted.

Mr Hayden flies first to London where he is expected to meet Mrs Thatcher before going in another move inspired by the left-wing opposition, to freeze Denmark's 75 million kroner to Paris to attend the minis-(£5.4m) contribution to the terial meeting of the Organizacosts of the missile deploytion for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

room, with more space to stretch out between the specially

Australia broadens diplomatic role

From Tony Duboudin Melbourne Mr Bill Hayden, the Minister

a population of 50 million.

for Foreign Affairs, leaves for cussions with the Dutch an extensive overseas tour Government in the Hague and will then travel to Moscow for talks with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister. He will also visit Hungary and Ireland and is expected back in Australia in early June.

Mr Hayden's journey is seen as an attempt by Australia to persuade the Russian leaders play a role in reducing inter-national tension by using its boycott of the Olympics.

Later, he will have dis- position as a middle-ranking power. He is expected to press the Soviet Union strongly to take a more positive stand on disarmament, and will support recent US proposals for an international convention to ban the use and production of chemical weapons.

Mr Hayden will also try to persuade the Russian leadership to change its mind over its



From Kuldip Nayar Delhi The Delbi High Court ruled yesterday that Mrs Indira Gandbi was entitled to a share in property worth half a million rupees of her dead son, Mr Sanjay Gandhi, Mrs Gandhi had claimed the share on the grounds that a Hindu mother was entitled to one third of her son's property She had also alleged in her petition that her daughter-inlaw, Mrs Maneka Gandhi, was not allowing her to meet her grandson. Varun, Sanjay Gan-Sanjay Gandhi: Dispute dhi's son. Mrs Maneka Gandhi

Mrs Gandhi wins share

in Sanjay's property

over his estate

dead at his residence

marriage took place according to Hindu rites. • In Punjab. the former head priest of the Amritsar golden

temple. Pratap Singh, was shot

it is beating alcoholism From Alan McGregor

The problem of alcoholism among Russians has been stabilized and is starting to show signs of a "certain decrease", according to Mr Sergei Petrovich Bourienkov, the Soviet Health Minister, who is attending the World Health Assembly.

He said the Soviet health authorities were "attentively following" the spread of the disease Aids in Europe, but no cases had yet been reported

Asked about reports that both Dr Andrei Sakharov, the dissident leader who is confined to the city of Gorky, in poor health and needed proper medical treatment, he said: "Gorky has one of the largest and most Democrat motion in defiance of costs modern hospitals in the USSR". the policies of the minority ments.

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Television Nightmare nobility

Channel 4's Survive is a tough series and The Concentration Camps. last night, was the toughest so far. Survivors told how they did it: living day by day, thinking of neither past nor future, seizing opportunities of lighter work, being as inconspicuous as possible, giving no sign that they retained any independence of spirit or human dignity. "Doglike submissiveness" was demanded and had to be simulated.

Individuals, it appeared

Individuals, it appeared -being able, unlike those with families, to concentrate on their own plight - stood the better chance. The stories were hor-rific but Nick Downie's programme brought out the no-bility of those who came through, A Jewish survivor explained how the most gigantic confidence trick of all

the gas chambers and in human

experimentation.
In this "insane world, a life with its own ethics and morality", some hung on to the will to live and, recognizing it in others, formed mutually sustaining groups. The signs of taining groups. The signs of breaking were easily recognizable – tears, not attempting to wash in the morning, obsession with food to the extent of grabbing for it even when under

A survivor told how he took advantage of the delousing of clothes to get warm food. Discovering that it was a steam process, he stuffed potatoes in his pockets and received them back warm. From then on he gathered lice — "it was a business".

Another told how he had sung a prayer among

Cinema

Exuberant creation of community

Rue Cases negres (PG) Chelsea Cinema

Secret Places (15) Gate Bloomsbury; Classics Haymarket, Oxford Street

Cross Creek (U) Classics Haymarket,

Chelsea, Tottenham Court

grandmother, M'man Titine, Neither she nor José himself can conceive what the goal will be like; they only

what the goal will be like; they only know that it must be something better than the life they have.

Euzhan Paley's characters are ebullient, funny, overflowing with life, José (Garry Cadenat) is as mischievous and misled as any healthy bright kid anywhere, only with some little extra wisdom in his observation of the people around him; his friend the handsome young sailor who cheerfully accepts the role. sailor who cheerfully accepts the role of gigolo to lecherous white ladies; his less fortunate class-mate whom misfortune turns into a criminal. The outstanding figure though is the grandmother. Darling Legitimus's





most attractive and

film at present on show in London. Which is not 40 say that it is without ferocity. It is based on a novel by Joseph Zobell which is a largely autobiographical story of a clever poor boy struggling to win education in French Colonial Martinique in the immense: and the ultimate prize may

Opera

Darling Legitimus is one of the other is the Senegalese Doubs Seck who plays the boy's spiritual fasher, a sage old former slave). They blend faultlessly with the non-professionals maturals as Enzhan Palcy prefers to call them, who make up the rest of the large cast - a fair proportion, it seems, of the population of Martini-

Secret Places also marks the debut of a woman direction his time English. Zelda Barron has worked since the Sixties as producer, pro-duction assistant, writer and generally useful person on films ranging from If ... and Morgan to Valentino and Reds. Her first film as a director evidently represents a very personal

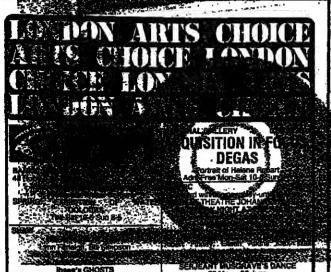
time that Joseph Zol to school in Port de Rawlings, it appears left her suspand and the city believe her live on a run-down orange grove in backwoods; Florida, Having failed to intellectual of the class; and there is notable supporting performance.

Ann-Marie Gwatkin as their shy and make a mark as a writer of gothick companie, she suddenly achieved success when she began to record the shockable Irish classmate. The school-staff too has the distinction of Sylvia sad and comic lives of her new ighbours. Coleridge as the tough old maideveryone recalls from schooldays, and lenny Aguiter as the pretty young larget for every girl's crushes.

lawyers, moguls and prope opers. To judge from David lock's portrait of present-day wood in his book Indecent E. the executive classes industry.

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John Higgins, in Monte Carlo, visits the Printemps des Arts

After breaking themselves in with an unrelievedly comic Cosi, Warsaw Chamber Opera, with the same producer, Jitka Stokalska, and the same four mime artists, have now turned to Donizetti and Don Pasquale. The Venice of the Grand Canal's palazzi and of the more of Andrzei Sadowski's hangings, is peopled with attendant spirits: harlequin housemaids may dress Norina or comfort the Don. and epicene gondoliers may prepare Apart from making the same

basic mistake of underestimating just how much of the work the music does quite happily by itself. Ms Stokalska's mimetic ideas are far less intrusive here than in Cosi. For a start, they are less superfluous, and pose no threat to the musical or emotional equipoise. More happily married to the work's existing commedia dell'ane context and to the production's own comic business, at best they animate and charm some rather blunt-edged musical direction, and at worst simply tire the eye by their frequency and predictability.

his bath or row his boat.

In fact, if Janusz Przybylski, in the pit, would only dust out some of the corners in the score and light up others, this production, to be repeated tomorrow, could well carry itself off with quite some flair by the time it reaches Northampton. For the principals, in this first cast, are the strongest we have heard yet from this

Pasquale himself is a vocally secure. deliciously blustering and baffled portrayal by Edward Kmiciewicz: and Alicia Slowakiewicz as Norina returns, after Halka, with her coloratura at its diamantine best, a little dry at the top but engaging brilliantly with every orchestral and verbal cogwheel.

Kazimierz Myrlak is povero Ernesto: convincingly cast, but, after his Ferrando, still reluc-tant, and perhaps wisely so, to unleash the full strength of his expressive but ill-supported tenor. Andrzej Poraska as Dr Malatesta loosens up as he sings himself into the part, and the ensemble work grows considerably in both musical and dramatic self-confidence as the evening progresses.

Hilary Finch

life is his illiterate, brave, magnificent grace and self-possession that isolates modern American classic. About the a character in Margaret Rawlings.

Festive brainwave

Monte Carlo has just completed This first festival has been its first Printemps des Arts and mixture of dance - Nederlands the most surprising element is Dans Theater and the Moscow that no one thought of having Classical Ballet, due in London one before. The Principality of next week - and music. The Monaco starts with a number of musicians have been selected so inbuilt advantages. There is, for that established artists, such as example, the matter of funding: Raimondi and Cotrubas, are between five and six per cent of interspersed with those at the the national budget goes to the very start of their careers, for arts in one form or another. whom the Theatre Princesse With that sort of allocation the Grace is a conveniently small Arts Council in Piccadilly might even consider refinancing the Royal Court. Then, because of basis of picking up a prize or its tax laws. Monaco probably two at the international compehas more international performers in residence to the square kilometre than any other

their own doorstep. And it is now well endowed with theatres. There are two dressed to look more newish ones: the hall of the Carmen than Mihaela and Centre de Congres, used for cinema - not often it happens that way round - which holds 350 and tends to be used for early evening recitals. But a few steps away is the centre of Monegasque life, the Casmo, and within, rather like a Cicilio, who won tirst prize and within, rather like a Wienna's Belvedere Internates built at the end of the last century as a replica of the Paris an event which draws Europe's Intendants and carries a fair match of prestige, was alto-

Nothing has changed since then to judge from contempor-ary photographs: the history of the first 30 years of the theatre (Gill and Macmillan) has been written by Dr Tom Walsh, creator of the Wexford Festival, and a second volume is expected next spring. The name of Hérold is enshrined next to that of Mozart on the right hand wall, an indication of the taste of the time, and the main entrance leads directly to the royal box. This was more often than not occupied. Princess Caroline was certainly not president of the Printemps des Arts in name only, and she appeared at practically every performance.

In the interval the audience divides itself between the bars, the promenade and a few the promenade and a few minutes at the gaming tables with a pocketful of francs. Perhaps one of these days Prokofiev's *The Gambler* and Tchaikovsky's *Queen of Spades* will play in tandem. Or maybe the comment will object the croupiers will object.

> DANIEL TAKES A TRAIN 5 SECRET PLACES Fitches Ford Coppoles rumble fish ,

whom the Theatre Princesse and intimate auditorium. The latter are usually selected on the titions of the previous year.

The Romanian violinist Mihaela Martin was first heard corner of Europe. Several of at Glasgow in 1975 when she them are ready to appear on was but a schoolgirl. Last summer she won first prize at Indianapolis. On stage she Carmen than Mihaela and there was quite a lot of brilliant East stars of the magnitude of European gypsy tone in her Barenboim, and the Theatre Princesse Grace, a converted Melodies for violin and piano, Op 35. She would have sounded even better with a more accomplished accompanist, but there is obviously a good career ahead.

> weight of prestige, was alto-gether more difficult to judge. He chose a string of arias from what used to be the di Stefano repertoire - Ernesto, Edgardo, Nemorino. Duca di Mantova. Verdi Requiem - which showed some ringing high notes and plenty of stamina but some musical bad habits. He is 32, so the latter need to be eliminated quickly. A final section of carcuelas rather surprisingly revealed a lack of weight at the bottom of the voice. However, there are not so many aspiring tenors around in the Donizetti repertoire and Senor Cecilio with coaching would be worth

> There were no such doubts over the great success of the closing days of the Printemps, a recital by Mirella Freni which packed the Salle Garnier. It is probably twenty years since Freni has been to this theatre and coming up to thirty years since she started singing professionally. Everything remains in place: the charm. the musicality, the control over the voice which never descends into into blowsiness. Mirella Freni is as idiomatic in Dupare as she is. predictably, in a Rossini song ike "La promessa".

The recital, brief but most adroidy chosen, proved that what Monte Carlo really likes is song and what it likes best of all is Mme Freni singing "Depuis le jour" from Louise. Now that is a Monte Carlo opera. Next spring Frederica von Stade, Renato Bruson and Teresa

The Ramayana Sadler's Wells

This heroic project dates back to 1969 when World Theatre Season plans to present Gopal Sharman's English-language adaptation of *The Ramayana* ran aground on Peter Daubeded a repertory theatre, cam-paigned successfully against Indian stage censorship, and

launched another version of

their national epic which now

reaches London 1,400 perform-

ances later after a season on Broadway. In place of the elaborate company speciacle originally designed for the Aldwych, Sharman substituted a portable

version, based on the ancient

art of Indian story-telling (which kept national literature alive during the centuries of Mogul occupation) and per-formed solo by Vaidya on a stage set up as a shrine to Rama and his immortal ally, the monkey-god Hanuman. Its obvious achievement, to

Theatre

any spectator coming fresh to a work of near-biblical authority ny's insistence on a Hindi text. work of near-biblical authority Sharman and his wife, the and complexity, is the clarity of actress Jalabala Vaidya, thereupon returned to Delhi, foun-sition from the throne, his voluntary exile, the abduction of his beloved Sita, and his battle to regain her from the tyrant Ravana, emerge with an inevitability that proclaims this to be one of the great stories of the world; and one that offers telling parallels with the politics of co-existence.

The higher spiritual purposes of the production were lost on me; not least when expressed

through Sharman's flowery and repetition-laden syntax.

He has a forceful exponent in Vaidya, a commanding figure with a noble senatorial profile, who combines the qualities of story-teller and priestess. As an actress she goes in for bold strokes rather than detail, and contrasted voices rather than character transformation. As an arrogant monarch sparring with a scornful captive, she is on surer ground than when delivering labyrinthine incantations. But for newcomers to The Start.

A brief note on Walker's revival of Edgar Wallace's On the Spot. First seen at Watford in March, this electrifying production has now transferred to the Albery where Simon Callow's Capone-like lead performance is not to be missed. Irving Wardle

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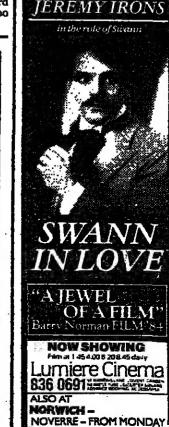
Holst's wonderfully original work is strikingly characterized, its harmonic language excepof his earlier pieces (which exquisitely indeterminate chord sound more sentimental than on the final word was too anything else) fleshed out with woolly to convince.

Concert new material that, apart from one or two startling moments, seems distinctly thin. Admittedly, Hoist's evoca-tive progressions need rather

more generous an acoustic than that of the Festival Hall; but they need, too, a cleaner edge than the Bach Choir gave them Elgar, it would be difficult to and a more powerful sense of imagine a more effective direction than Sir David Wit-method than to juxtapose, as looks was inclined to demand. the Bach Choir did on Wednes- The plainsong atmospherics day, Holst's Hymn of Jesus with Elgar's The Music Makers, the Chorus should be more distant than was possible here), but the The plainsong atmospherics worked well (though the semiinterlocking chords in which Holst approaches a real bitona-lity tended to slide together: in the most perfect line, "Know in tionally precise and well im- Me the word of Wisdom, the F agined: Elgar's is a more diffuse sharp triad was not quite affair, shot through with echoes securely held against G, and the

At the Royal Philharmonic Society concert in 1920 when the Hymn of Jesus was first performed, it was preceded by a Bach cantata and a Handel organ concerto. With its weighty sense of tradition, the RPS repeated the scheme and the massive, full-throated trundle through Bach's "Nun ist das Heil" would not have disgraced a Twenties Three Choirs Festival. Things were lighter in Handel's "Cuckoo and Nightingale" Concerto, which Simon Preston played coolly, correctly,

Nicholas Kenyon



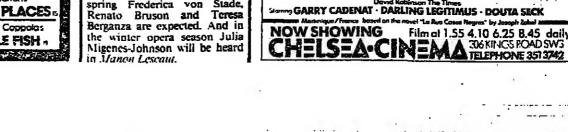
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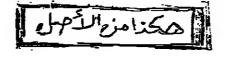
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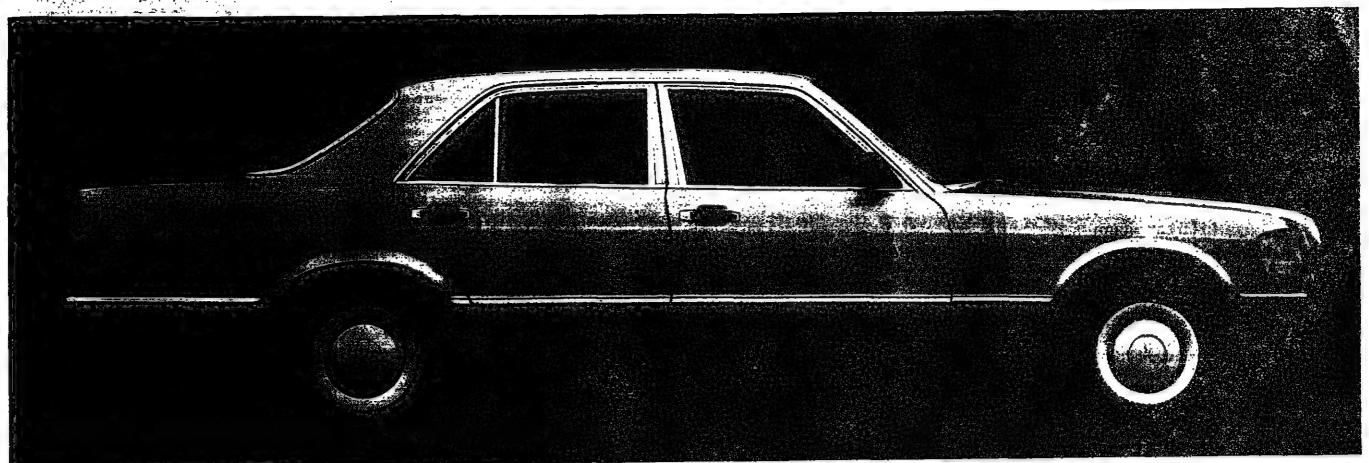




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The reel thing

Go into a record shop to buy an album by The Chieftains and you might have

a hard time finding it. Are they a rock group. or classical musicians, or are they Irish

folk? Alan Franks listened to their

words and music and helps to label them

nearly 10 years later that the

The result is a far cry from

the received image of Aran-clad

rustics keening out dirges of numbing length. What is being

heard this month, in venues as

diverse as Exeter Cathedral and

a school in Newbury, is music

of astonishing rhythmic and

melodic complexity in which

the eighteenth century Italian

mode lives in great harmony

The hands fan out

to gather the

timeless cadences

The really funny thing about

their rise to international fame

is that, precisely because of the "category problem", they have one loot in the world of rock

concerts and film scores and, on

all the usual criteria of record

and ticket sales, have very

because of the sheer implausibi-

hity of it all: lads - no, grown men from Dublin and Ulster

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bill with the Rolling Stones, or

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STAR'S THE WEEKEND WITH THE PAPER THAT INFORMS, STIMULATES, AMUSES AND PROVOKES

harp was added.

Last Saturday the Irish music hran was the kind to be found group. The Chieffains played to in the rural "bothy bands" of a packed Festival Hall in the last century. It was not until leaston at the start of a fourweel. British tour to mark their List anniversary. During their true together they have probaltiy done more than any other. mg musicians to raise a rigely oppressed body of music from relative obscurity to a continuously in international commod, Last year they became the first western group to perform in ensemble with a hinese tolk orchestra, during a trip which is to be the basis of a film documentary. In their own

solid 250 000 copies, and they aree performed to a live andience of 1,350,000 people in Orblin's Phoenix Park, even though, as one of their number elmiss "That was the Pope's in. We were fast the opening

in England they played the A Fig. The Playbox of the correction anything else to their standing as mass of a classical caste.

It was the group's self-given nearly superstar status. Funny and from the outset to restore to vogue a music downgraded in the cities of freland, and to do so with only such instru-ricing as would have been continually available. Their being invited to play at the saily linesup of two tiddles. Capital by Tip O'Neill, or doing the subside, flute and bod- a recording with Art Garfunkel;

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Sitting pretty: The latest line in garden

airs which pured out of them as naturally as Guinness went back the other way. An Irish joke in which the Irish win.

Yet there are clichés here, about Paddies making good on foreign shores, which have to be avoided. There was a resurgence of traditional music in Ireland back in the early 1950s that reflected a deep concern for the state of "Our Music." It is a matter of delight to Paddy Maloney that whereas there were once only a handful of uillean pipers coming to the annual conventions for the instrument, there are now several hundred, from all parts of the globe.

and all because they learned from their fathers and their

grandfathers the old jigs and

These pipes are not to be confused with the older, mouthblown instrument of war which. with its bone-chilling stridency. accompanied the Irish contingent to Creey in 1346. The uilleun form is a mellower but still plangent affair, with a chanter and drone filled from an elbow bellows. When Malo-ney, the pivotal member of the band, strikes up, the reel tumbles out above the growl with a sound that could fill a field. As he warms up, first one knee, then the other starts to jig until the contraption seems like some prodigously musical baby being dandled on his lap.

And that is the most perceptible movement among the six men. In the back row the right bicep of the bodhran player flicks and jumps in time, the two fiddlers saw away against each other's counter-melodies and the fluter is almost motionless between breaths. Seated at the front next to Maloney is the most unlikely figure of the bunch, the great harper Derek Bell, the only one in a suit and the only one wearing glasses. The hands fan out across the strings to gather back timeless cadences. Between the bottom bumpings of the bodhran and the tiny tinklings of Bells top strings, the bowed and the blown instruments are filling the rest of the

registers with a swirl and skirl of

Bell and the bodhran player. Kevin Connetl represent the poles of the group not only tonally but also in terms of the traditions from which they have all come. Bell studied at the Royal College of Music, in Europe and the US with such celebrated teachers as Leon Goossens and Madame Rosina Lhevinne. He has played with the symphony orchestras of London. Pittsburgh. Moscow and Budapest, and more re-cently performed as a soloist with the Royal Philharmonic in London. Conness meanwhile, is a child of the Fifties' and Sixties' international folk music revival, whose first influences were such as the Seegers, Ewan MacColl, and Ian Campbell. "You know, it was out of that movement", he recalls, "that people in Ireland actually became aware of their own traditions.

Matt Molloy, one of the two non-Duhlmers in the group, talks of how the traditional music of the country was treated as second class stuff, "Second class to what, you ask, I'll tell your second class to anything else that was going. There was a kind of inferiority complex attached to everything that was your own. It was, like, downtrodden. At the formation of the state, the church didn't treat it with much regard."

"No more did the state," says Scan Keane the fiddler. "That's right Sean, they didn't", says Molloy, "Most of our families. like Padd's, Scan's and my own, they carried it on in their own small pockets. It was very much alive in Clare. also in Longford, where it was linked with Sligo and Leitrim. NAME As far as the people who played it were concerned, there was no inferiority complex at all, don't get me wrong. It was hard line all the way ... when I was a boy. I used to catch it from my

own school-mates. They'd say: What d'you want to go playing that kind of stuff for," and so

"I think in the beginning we used to get some of the Americans a bit baffled", says Maloney, "which is perhaps a little surprising when you think that the Irish traditional music was probably much more healthy over there during the Thirties and Forties, being kept alive by the descendants of the famine immigrants. They'd got used to all that commercial stuff like Does Your Mother Come From Ireland?, which, let's face it, was written by some

enterprising Polish expatriate." Having barred from their line-up all those parvenu instruments like guitars and banjos and, God forbid, synthesizers, the Chieftains would seem to be straightforward custodians of a music too rich to be tampered with. And yet this is not quite the case, as the fiddler Martin Fay points out: "No. hang on a moment, I don't think that we're playing it like i was, in the old days, my guess is that it would have been a bit of a free-for-all, everyone just playing the same thing. They might have improvised, but I

doubt if they would have urranged it like we do now." Fav's contention is that the application of harmony and counterpoint have been mainly responsible for the grafting of a "classical" identity beneath The Chiestains still-faithful playing of the old melody lines. It is what might be called progress-

ive conservatism. But there is another reason for the classical sound, for when Bell's musical forbear. Carolan, was playing and writing for his harp in the eighteenth century. he was greatly influenced by the early baroque and since he. in turn, was to have such an influence on his compatriots, it is no wonder that The Chieftains' playing so often comes across as a confluence of the Celtic and the courtly.

'The music we play has every classical form'



As Derek Bell himself ev plains: "The music we play has every classical form except the sonata. We have fugal imitation dating back to the baroque; even the Droits; Maggie tune with which we sometimes open the programme - that's in

All this talk-and there was plenty more - took place in the unlikely surroundings of a huge Kensington hotel. It seemed a strange place to harbour such a homely bunch until I was reminded just as Bell and the rest were leaving for the Festival Hall, that it was called the Tara. This, as every lrishman (and no Englishman) knows is the will in County Meath which was the capital of the Fir Bolgs and the Tuatha de Danann. A very distant note sounded in my head and I scurried to my copy of Thomas Moore's Irish Melodice. "The harp that once through Tara's halls/The soul of music shed./Now hangs as mute on Tara's walls/As if that soul were fled."

CORRECTION The poet Keith Douglas died in Normandy in June 1944, not near El Alamein as stated in Spectrum on the 2nd May,

A series reporting on research: BATS

One offspring is born a year, and not necessarily every year.

Only six colonies of the reater horseshoe remain, with

but does not harm bats.

tionists are continuing to test bats' reactions to other chemi-

cals used to combat wood-boring

beetles and timber-rotting fungi. The studies are crucial, since

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five weeks of age.

The maximum bat lifespan is 30 years; the average far less. Some bats don't start breeding Bat studies until they reach two, and the greater horseshoe bat may be as old as 10 before having young.

prove the design of radar, says Professor David Pye of Queen Mary College. He has been lecturing to engineers about so a catastrophe in the nursery bats' abilities to pick out targets, wipes out a whole colors in the foliage of trace. in the foliage of trees, despite surrounding clutter which pro-duces multiple echoes, and fly in for the kill at speed. The particularly sophisticated

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hunting trick of using two different forms of ultrasonic echolocation systems is shared by our two most common bat species - the pipistrelle and the noctule. They switch from using pitch to measure speed of motion of their target from the frequency of the echo, to using time delay of the echo to measure the distance.

What's particularly exciting to Professor Pyons the complex battlefront with a series of flexible attack and defence methods, it has been known for some time that some moths can produce Jamming signals by buckling two plates in their chest to emit loud ultrasonic pulses. Now researchers are discovering several bat features which enable them to counter-counter attack, stealing up on moths without giving alarm too:

The mouse-cared bat is verging on extinction in Britain - only two surviving males are living in the South-east. Now the Nature Conservancy Council is considering importing females from Southern Europe to stop Britain's bat species from

dropping from 15 to 14. Declining numbers in the bat opulation has led to concern. A National Bat Group, with a paid coordinator, has been formed this year to link two-dozen local interest groups. The first British Bat newsletter will be published this summer. Details from the Fauna and Flora Preservation Society, c/o Zoological Society of London, Regents Park, London NW1 4RK (01-586

Shrinking colonies

A national survey bat colonies has found that average populations have dropped from 119 to 1978 to 65 last summer. The largest colonies are in Scotland (average 188 bats); the smallest in the Midlands (48). A further count will take place in late June and early July when the mothers forage for food at sunset, shortly before their infants take to flight three weeks after birth. A bat is weaned at Well-trod paths

Bats travel. A female Leisler's marked lands in 1980 has just been found dead in a cellar in Devon, 150 miles away. The longest flight recorded previously was 63 miles by a pipistrelle in East Anglia. Some 20,000 bats have now been marked with tags, improving identification and revealing nightly routes.

a total population of 2,200 - a decline of 98 per cent, according The surveys also proved that bats take individual routes in a to study of piles of guano in caves and other circumstantial line from the main colony. Dr Stebbings has recorded regular journeys radiating 40 to 50 evidence collected by Robert Stebbings adviser to the Nature Conservancy Council, and to miles between summer and winter habitats from the nursery roosts. The repeated patterns indicate that bats are faithful to the Government on bat legisa particular colony, although members probably live in a couple of hundred roosts according to sex and season. ● Lindane-based timber treat-

ments which are deadly to bats are still sold legally, although bats are protected under the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act and document Details from Dr Stebbings, Institute of Terrestial Ecology, Monks Wood Experimental ability of an alternative chemi-cal. Research by bat experts and Station, Abbots Ripton, Hun-tingdon PE17 2LS (Abbots the Building Research Establishment has shown that Ripton (048-73) 381). permethrin, a synthetic pyre-thoid, kills beetles as required

• About 200 bats from two species, the long-eared and Daubenton's, live within a few As a result Rentokil have feet of each other under a slate modified their conventional woodworm killer, but they only use the new permethrin product if there is evidence of bats, and and wood roof in a private house in the Scottish highlands. According to Paul Racey, senior lecturer in zoology at Aberdeen University who studied the roost with Susan Swift, rewith a 10-year instead of a 30search fellow, the bats are not in Tests on a house given a lindane treatment 30 years ago has shown that vapours would still be lethal to bats. Conservacompetition. They wake at different times and leave through the same small hole

> has detailed how these two colonies have coexisted for many years. Bats prefer clean and fairly draught-free buildings. Forty-seven per cent of colonies are

> > VCO and

without overlapping. The study

found in houses less than 25 years old - "Barrett boxes" has become batman jargon. Con-trary to popular belief bats do not harm buildings and drop-pings dry to a powder with only slight smell — excellent, though uneven, insulation. Since the Wildlife and Countryside Act was passed to protect bats, the Nature Conservancy Council has to be informed on any

potential disturbance to roosts.

the building of bat boxes, made of rough-sawn softwood with a slit in the base. Research has shown that successful use is increased when boxes are on the south sides of trees, high up, in areas rich with insects. Predators include squirrels, wood-peckers and owls - at least one is known to have prized off a

Blanket coverage

is important for bat comappears to be the optimum temperature for greater horseshoes' summertime nursery roosts. An experiment in a roost near Blandford, Dorset, involves four electric blankets (sandwiches of fibreglass in metal mesh), which have been installed in the roof of an eighteenth-century house used by the greater horseshoe colony. The biankets are kept at different temperatures and bat choices are being recorded by

infra-red television cameras. Outside the breeding season, bats choose roosts according to need. Thin ones tend to hang up in low-temperature roosts so that they expend less energy. A bat's flying temperature is 42°C (higher than man's 37°C), but this falls 10 degrees for diges-tion after landing then to the surrounding temperature. Re-search indicates the need for a large number of roosts for a

sipple colony. Bats' ultrasonic pulses - luaud-ible to humans - can be heard through bat detectors. A sophisticated second generation, the S200 developed by Queen Mary College, London, reproduces the exact patterns of bat signals.

The detector can give acoustic profiles on the spot, pinpointing bats even in pitch-darkness. For the first time detectors can distinguish the unique

differences between species. The bats (left) have been persnaded to take part in experiments by being offered a dummy target suspended with a micro-phone under a balloon, linked to the detector and recorder. This is giving exact measurements of speed (up to 25 miles an hour

for these small bats') and

precision, down to millimetres at a distance of several metres. Ann Hills

Auntie and the Young Ones go a'revelling

High speed

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A new trend is abroad which has not yet been noticed. It's called not-knocking-the-BBC. Yes, the early part of 1984 was deafened by the outery against the Beeb and because our ears are still ringing with the sound. we haven't noticed that it has stopped. The Thorn Birds is forgotten: the ratings battle is not drawing the crowds it used to: The Jewel in The Crown can no longer be waved in the BBC's face; and it's months since Max Hastings last lam-

Much of what Max said was true, as the middle reaches were quick to agree, but there seemed to be a feeling that once Aubrey Singer had been sacrificed to the gods, things could go quiet again - why, I don't believe I've heard Sixty Minutes criticized for more than a week. And as the smoke of battle cleared, the damage on the battleground was much less than supposed.

The BBC may still find it hard to get programmes in the Top Ten, but when you look at most of the ITV programmes that pull in the crowds, you wonder if anyone seriously wants to be in the Top Ten. Furthermore, if a week in which the BBC got 47 per cent of the audience can be described as a very bad week for them, you wonder what they have to do to be called good. If the Tories got 47 per cent in a popularity poll, who would call it bad?

moreover . . . Miles Kington The fashion for slamming the BBC was in large part just that - a fashion. We love slamming something, but we move from target to target. Channel 4 was getting it in the neck last year,

and is now agreed to be putting on very good stuff, even if it hasn't got its sums right. Then basted the upper reaches of the Corporation.

TV-am fell flat on its face and got the rotten tomatoes, though seems to be matching the BBC pretty well now. So it was time that the Beeb came in for its fair share of mud-slinging and it has, on the whole, gotaway quite lightly. You wait and hear the how's of derision that will greet early cable TV. Just you wait and hear. Meanwhile, the BBC has had

was every bit as good as Life on and without precedent. An-Earth - and producing a good sequel is the hardest trick of all. (If he wants a title for another series looking at our deteriorating environment, I can offer him something I saw written on a car engine the other day: Negative Earth.) For a fortnight they have given us wall-to-wall snooker, the nearest thing to perfect television ever devised And now they have started a new series of The Young Ones.

first series I was quite con-vinced that this is the best, brightest, most inspired TV comedy since Monty Python. Also the funniest. They have latched on to the simple yet hard truth about comedy: that if you have a solid story line and a cast of clearly drawn characters, you can be as crazy as you like. The Goon Show knew that Not many others do. So, although The Young One is ostensibly about four ill matched endears in one four ill-matched students in one house, they can without strain introduce a hamster talking broad Scots, the contents of the fridge bursting into song and -a magnificent conceit, this - The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse going mad with boredom and getting nothing from God in answer to their prayers but endless sets of Travel Scrabble. In an effort to emphasize how original the series is and how the luck to chalk up a few recent much better than anything else successes. David Atten- around, people keep telling us borough's The Living Planet that it is wonderfully anarchic

archic is precisely what it isn't the scripts by Elton, Mayali and Mayer are beautifully controlled and constructed. Without preceand constructed. Without precedent? Nearly, yes, but there is one parallel from nearly 25 years ago which keeps nudging my memory: the radio version of Hancock's Half-How.

That programme, like The Young Ones, put four or five esocortric monsters in the same

egocentric monsters in the same

house-and let them get on with their fantasies, with the lamest of excuses for being there. None of the pseudo-sociological background that cripples most sitcom ("John is a single parent" with a child who has recently moved in with his divorced father, next-door to his mother making outsize egos bump into each other, watching the sparks fly and entering a realm of invention which few comedies even suggest. Twenty-five years hence parents will be saying. "Ah. but you should have seen

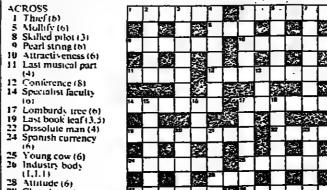
The Young Ones ... on the BBC," they might add, So was Hancock, come to think of it.

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MEDICAL BRIEFING

Snuff's the stuff



Can snuff damage your health? For the 250,900 casual and reg-ular nasal takers in this country, who managed to sniff their way

through 100,000 kilograms last year, the answer will probably

Some of the mest popular brands are medicated - the tobacco is ground with menthol, camphor or eucalyptus - and are claimed to help clear stuffy heads and combat hayfever.

Nicotine from nasal snuff is absorbed into the bloodstream much more quickly than nicotine from chewing gum and similar levels are reached from a pinch of snuff as a drag on a cigarette. And, because the tobacco is not burnt, carcinogenic gases or tar are not occasions produced. So, if snuff is glands go.

But, before you reach for the snuff box, remember that every tobacco product carries some health dangers. The whole issue has recently been raised because an American company wants to import a type of "wet" snuff called Skoal Bandits. The snuff is packaged in a tea-bag and eased between the bottom lip and gum, What worries David Simpson, director of the antismoking organization Ash, is that the marketing strategy in America suggests that Skoal Bandits carry few health risks.

Yet a report in America in 1981 suggested that among a group of white women from North Carolina there was a significant increase in mouth and throat cancers which could be directly linked with "snuffdipping" - the use of these bags. In addition other researchers have linked bad breath, teeth and gum problems and a loss of sense of taste and smell with chronic use of smokeless tobac-

representations to the Department of Health and the Advertising Standards Auth-ority against the import of Skoal Bandits on the grounds that, health considerations aside, they constitute an additional tobacco product being made available without consultation.

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they yeer off, cramming the other toes? Do

vou suffer from corns or hunions? If you have any of these problems the chances are they were caused by wearing ill-fitting shoes: if you do nothing now the problem could get worse

and cripple you in old age.

Michael Grillage, a Birmingham GP, has recently written a
booklet on the importance of
foot care, and how it is under-

Too often, Dr Grillage says shoe shop assistants measure customers while they are sitting down. Feet spread considerably when carrying the full body weight and have to support a considerable force when you are walking or running, so have your feet measured while stand-

ng up. He advises fashion-conscious women not to wear shoes with high heels and narrow toes for more than three or four hours. *Springtime Step can be obtained from Carnation, Cuxson-Gerrard & Co, Fountain Lanc, Oldsbury, Warley, West Midlands, B69 3BB, Enclose

It's a sweat



spiration cause real misery. For most people weather , OI strenuous exercise are the only

produced. So, if snuff is glauds go into overdrive, for substituted for cigarette smok- others, without any trigger, ing the risks of lung cancer and sweat trickles down to their other diseases will drop.

But, before your analysis of the state of the Over-active sweat glands

affect the hands feet and armpits, Sufferers are otherwise completely healthy. According to Dr Andrew Pembroke, consultant dermatologist at King's College Hospital: "It is a genuine problem, quite common, and most unpleasant and embarrassing."

The symptoms start in adolescence, reach a peak in the early to mid-twenties and gradually subside during the thirties. For these people the normal awkwardness of the late teens is compounded by smelly feet, rotting shoes and ruined shirts and dresses. One of the best treatments,

available for only a few years, is a solution of aluminium chloride hexahydrate in alcohol. The solution is applied to the underarms last thing at night, but it may make the skin sore because it is acidic. People who started the treatment on a nightly basis found that it was so successful they could gradu-Mr Simpson has made ally reduce the frequency to

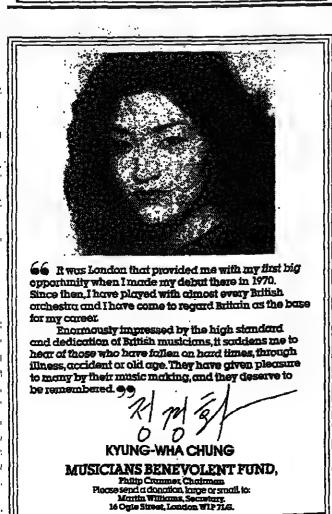
once weekly. For the hands and feet tablets containing stropine can be quite useful. The drug slows the activity of the glands but, because it involves the whole body, there may be side effects. Stomack upsets dry throats and mouth and blurred vision are the most common problems.

For intractable problems Take off your skin in the armpit containing shoes and look at the largest concentration of your feet. Are sweat glands may be removed your big toes or, alternatively, the nerve supply to the armpits may be severed. Dr Pembroke emphasizes that these options are a

> Finally a technique known as iontophoresis may work for sufferers from particularly sweaty hands and feet. A lowlevel electric current is passed into the skin which, magically, plugs the glands and cuts the sweat production ...

Olivia Timbs and Lorraine Fraser





The cruel nightmare of a family kidnapping

Parents snatching their own children break no English law. Frances Gibb looks at a Bill about to go before the Lords

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that will make this a criminal offence

Graham was four years old when his father abducted him from his mother. He and his father had been on holiday together. When the two weeks were up, they simply didn't return. His mother Jean Burt, by then divorced and separated from her husband for three years, remembers making rouline checks of the hospitals and airlines in case of accident. But she had a nagging suspicion of the truth. "I feared the worst within the first five minutes". she recalls.

It was just over a year before she met her son again, and then in the company of his father and present wife; and 20 months passed before she had him home with her. "The best way to describe the feeling is that it feels as if someone very elected to a your had died but close to you had died, but worse, because you know that somewhere that child is alive but you don't know what is happening to him."

Her experience of suddenly having her child seized from her care without warning, being faced with tracking down his whereabouts and going through the long, painful and difficult process of securing his return, is more and more common.

Child-stealing - abduction of child by one parent against the other's will - is on the increase: a tragic spin-off of the climbing ivorce rate, one in which the child becomes a pawn in a physical and psychological tugof-war between divorced or engrated spouses and is separated spouses and is snatched from the custodial parent, often to be taken abroad, beyond the jurisdiction

of this country. It is a phenomenon that our laws are particularly ill-equipped to deal with At present, there is no criminal offence of kidnapping one's with by contempt orders. But own child, English law deals the Bill brings parents who with breaches of court custody abduct abroad, before or after a or wardship care orders as contempt, which carries statutory penalties, including imprisonment, which are rarely enforced. Criminal remedies

There is a strong tide of opinion in favour of a change in the law, however. This week in the House of Lords, the Crown, in a test action, challenged a recent Court of Appeal ruling confirming that parents could not, in law, kidnap their own children. The Court of Appeal last November quashed convic-tions for kidnapping and con-tempt of court in the case of a father, Mr Ian Daily, who twice snatched his daughter from his former wife and took the child off to New Zealand. It was

against parents are not avail-

The judges held there was no sentence, they said Parliament had never intended that a mother or father should be The case, they said, was a sive, serious example of a deliberate In flouting of a High Court order by a father. But although judges had wide jurisdiction to punish

for such action, the father should never have been convicted of kidnapping. As the law lords consider their judgment, the Govern-

ment is backing a private member's Bill which has now received its third reading in the Commons, This creates a new offence, carrying up to seven years imprisonment on conviction. A parent, guardian, custodian or father of an illegitimate child who takes or sends that child outside the country without the consent of the other parent or guardian, or of the court which made the custody or care order, will have committed the offence. Parents who snatch children in defiance of a court order and remain in this country will still be dealt abduct abroad, before or after a

6 Child stealing is a tragic spin-off of the climbing divorce rate, in which the child is a pawn 9

court custody order, within the

criminal law for the first time.

Both the Lords' decision and the Bill's passage are being closely watched by victims of child-stealing and in particular by those members of Children Abroad, a self-help group that prompted by her own experience - Jean Burt helped to set up in Keighley, Yorkshire, to advise parents in similar thought to be the first time in up in legal history that a father had been convicted of kidnapping plights.

No official statistics exist, but the group estimates that from such offence as kidnapping a the 100 cases they hear in about child under 14 by a parent, a year, there could be as many setting aside a two-year jail as 500 throughout the country. In France, they point out, the had never intended that a ministry of justice has a record mother or father should be prosecuted for child-stealing. The case they said was a sive

In America there is a rising Mr Burt says. An attempt to incidence of "child snatching". bring criminal proceedings in the Kuwait courts failed be-

perpetuated by fathers who have lost custody of their children. A recent study estimated that seven out of ten children snatched from their homes are never seen again by the parent left behind.

Children Abroad now has nearly 80 members and some 150 cases on their books where parents are still trying to retrieve a child who has been snatched or to prevent a "resnatch". One mother has faced this three times. Members - two-thirds mothers, one-third fathers - have

varying experiences, but common threads occur. Sheer vindictiveness can be one motive; disputes over access; a thwarted desire for custody; a belief, common among mothers, in the right to care of the child; and blackmail, with a view to stopping divorce proceedings or improving financial settlements. Mark Burt, Mrs Burt's second husband, and a co-founder of the group, says these blackmail cases are among the most distressing, with children forced to write pleading letters and often denied the

Snatching often occurs without warning. When it is the father, the snatch is usually during a period of access. Physical violence is rare unless it is a second or third occasion when the other parent is on guard. When it is the mother, child-stealing often occurs when the husband is at work. One husband returned home to find his child and half the furniture gone, Mr Burt says.

It was the obstacles the Burts faced that made them want to share their experiences. Only through endless questioning of friends, relatives and colleagues, did they finally discover young Graham had been taken to Kuwait Months of "battering" bureaucracy followed, trying to get the police, Foreign Office and embassy officials to take action. "No one wants to know. They say it is a private dispute", up to 100,000 a year usually cause although kidnapping a

child is a criminal act there, the offence originated in England and there needed to be a comparable offence in Kuwaiti jursidiction for proceedings to succeed. In the end civil proceedings, at a cost of £11,000, secured Graham's return.

They now know how to deal with the system that, for instance, enables a duty judge to be found 24 hours a day to make the child a ward of court. which facilitates Home Office administrative procedures such as port stops. And consulates now have new guidelines encouraging them to use their powers to help in such cases by,

Bill been law, they might have got Graham back in six rather than 20 months. The Bill is set to receive Royal Assent in three months. Mr Timothy Wood, Conservative MP for Stevenage and co-sponsor of the Bill, said: "It will enable parents in a number of circumstances to do something. At present if they are taken abroad, it's often years before they are returned, causing another major disruption for the child and forcing the parent to take expensive civil proceedings".

When a criminal offence has been committed, parents will be able to pursue the child through extradition treaties, where they exist; and where they do not, countries such as Kuwait, where offence, may be more sympathetic, he said.

Another advantage is that the police will be more willing to take action; and the cost of the prosecution in time and money will fall to them. Mr Burt says. Relatives too may be less willing to help the "snatcher" with a criminal offence hanging over their heads. "But we chiefly hope it will be a deterrent. Of course it will help us get the children back more quickly; but we'd rather they were never taken in the first

Surrogate sanctions

From Dr James Applevard, Kent and Canterbury Hospitals

Your article (Wednesday Page, April 25) featuring a beautiful surrogate baby made compelling reading. It highlighted the immense gratification that baby Amanda gave to her "adoptive" parents' desires to have a child fancy making a stab at of their own. However your through the arras he can always correspondent glossed over the go to \$7, and have a quick word more complex ethical, social

creating children from a desire feeling that computers will to have them for their own sake serve them even better." A little to a desire on the surrogate further on, Richard Gollner, mother's part to have them who'd "love to be Alice", talks because they can provide some nostalgically about that "old other benefit. Even though it technology, the book". This is may be said to be an altruistic fascinating, but also slightly attempt to bring happiness to alarming to those engaged in an infertile couple, the child is trying to get the young to read, still being "used" by the "There is hardly a major ends instead of as ends in But have they considered any themselves, is to accept an ethic implications beyond the comwith a tragic past and establish a mercial ones? precedent in this country with a dangerous future. In the United States it has been found that few copies sold) in its boring old surrogates will volunteer their original form, glad, also, to have services for altruistic reasons read C. S. Lewis's Chronicles of alone and the ban on the Narnia, for these too, we are payment of fees beyond medical told, are now being sized up for expenses has in effect stopped their computer potential. One the practice in some states. wonders what computerized

pressures upon the normal habit? Increase the sales of the family structure and society as original? Or are straight books a there is an intrusion by the third thing of the past? adult into the marital community. The adverse long term psychological and social effects on the child are predictable. inter alia, from the asymmetry of the relationship the adopting parents have towards the child. As evidence of this accumu-lates, it would seem that securing the welfare of children (and thus our future gene-rations) should take precedence over sanctioning arrangements which may satisfy the desires of individuals or pairs of adults who are able to afford to buy a child for themselves.

Plotted history

From Ann Pilling, 57 St John Street, Oxford

It is a pity that the time warp (a device beloved by writers of fantasy, and no doubt by those to travel to Saturday fixtures, of the new "interactive fiction") does not go into reverse, and catapult some great writers of the past into the present, for the new possibilities for their books for example, doing welfare are clearly endless (Monday aggressively provoked by the reports on the child in their Page April 30).

TALKBACK

Take Jane Austen's silly little plots. Emma no longer has to marry that prig. Mr Knightley, for if she does "the adventure ends here". Now she can go back to 33, and reconsider Mr Elton, or skip ahead to 69, order a carriage and pair, and go up to

Then there is Hamles ("How now! a rat?"). If he doesn't fancy making a stab at Polonius with Ophelia.

and legal issues raised.

Fundamentally such "triAngular" arrangements involve and printed page have served a change in the motive for story tellers well, but I get the an infertile couple, the crima is still being "used" by the "There is hardly a major surrogate. To sanction the use and treatment of human beings exploring the potential of the field". Alan Franks informs us.

he practice in some states. wonders what computerized Surrogate arrangements exert classics will do to the reading

Teacher's defence

From G. C. Perser, The Wildernesse School, Scal Hol low Road. Sevennaks

As a headmaster of 22 years experience, I cannot allow Mr John Pearman's attack on teachers (Monday Page, May 7) to pass unchallenged. Teachers are poorly paid compared with their university colleagues, who have entered other professions. and it is essential that high quality staff are recruited. Why should teachers' families and dependents be made to suffer?

It has been my experience that the majority of teachers give devotedly of their time and energy to enable their pupils to have the best possible edu-cational experience and make considerable financial sacrifices evening parents' meetings and

Teachers are not lightly stirred into action but on this oceasion they have been too

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pamphlets on the Rent Act and the like. So far, so good: it is surely right that people should old age pensioners). But this must not mean cutting back on

Libraries lose a friend

had always innocently considered librarians my friends. I disapproved of fellow writers who, during the campaign for Public Lending Right, accused the public library system of "stealing" their books and lending them free. But I felt there to be a sort of unwritten contract between librarians and me. I would provide high class fiction and non-fiction for them to lend in the quixotic British way to (in my case) some 80,000 readers a year, on the understanding that they would buy sufficient copies of my work to perform this extraordinary service efficiently. We needed each other, I thought.

But now I am not so sure. In the last 15 years, words that I had taken for granted were part of the vocabulary of any responsible librarian, words like "quality" and "balanced intake" and "education", have become regarded as the lan-guage of elitist reaction. Instead, the fashionable vocabulary is "service to community", "user-friendly" and - more sinister in its muddle-headed sub-Marxism - "free access to the

sources of information".

Let me analyze this last phrase, much bandied about at a librarians' conference at which was recently an uneasy and increasingly mutinous listener. What it ought to mean - what it

COMMENT genuinely does mean to some librarians - is that the libraries are now providing useful

know they can drop into their library for this purpose. But the phrase, and the principle, are not infinitely extensible. And when I hear books - novels, biographies. history, philos-ophy, poetry - all lumped together under the heading "sources of information", and when I hear the good old concept of free access perverted to mean that no one should pay for anything in any form (except the poor writer, who pays with his time, energy and life) then I

friends of mine but, what is far worse, people who have no coherent view of their function. Arguably it is a Good Thing for libraries to lend copies of hardback, specialist books which most library users could genuinely not afford. By the same token, it would seem to follow that it is not the libraries' function to provide lavish supplies of mass circulation paperbacks that are freely

know that I am in the presence

not just of people who are no

and-a-half Tube fares to Brent Cross or one eighteenth of a modest meal out for two. Of course libraries have a duty to pay some attention to the mass taste of ratepayers (code for the provision of light romances to less popular works of some literary distinction - the basis of the whole grand edifice of the free library system.

It is extremely unfortunate that reduction in library budgets in the last few years has coincided with a time when concepts of what a library might do for local inhabitants have become increasingly visionary. Inspired by computer technology and by a heady idea of the library as a power for good among hitherto unimpressed levels of the population (" 'Give me your poor, your huddled masses' ... and let us ban Enid Blyton and Little Black Sambo") all too many librarians do not seem to have stopped to reflect that resources are finite. that they cannot do everything and must therefore, (a) make choices and (b) not lose sight of

опес. Meanwhile, some talk with messianic energy about the need to "get people who don't want available down the road for the to read into the libraries. To price of six cups of coffee, two-

older values while pursuing new

ploys have been dreamed up - pop records, softwear, soft toys among the (vetted, guaranteed non-racist. non-sexist) children's literature. Herbert Spencer, the nine-teenth century political philosopher, predicted that one of the many undesirable results of state intervention in life would be free dissemination of pulp literature. Even that far-sighted cynic did not foresee that the pulp on offer might not be literature of any description.

Gillian Tindall

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THE TIMES DIARY

And another union rift

The Oxford Union is involved in an actimonious debate over the disclosare that Walter Perry, steward of the union's social facilities, has been given early retirement with a reported £9,000 pay-off. The figure, leaked to the student newspaper Fribi (arr), caused much dispute, and was settled only after the Union crafted in parrister don Harvey McGregor of New College, Perry's departure follows disagreements over management and the hiring of staff, and leaves the Union's already shaky finances even more enfeebled. I am told the Union now hopes to raise £20.000 by auctioning some of its most valuable anniquation books. curt of the charitable trust set up to treserve the debating and library functions. No doubt a few well-chosen words will be said about that

Choose-a-muse

The leisurely progress of James Finion and Peter Levi towards the minning post of the Oxford poetry professorship - "No, no, after you, old chap" - may yet be halted, lobbing post and clerinew addict Clevin Ewan has entered the race. He is being nominated by author Tim Heald, doubtless smelling in the Fenton-Levi carve-up the sort of cosy conspiracy exposed in his Networks book on old boy con-nexions. Ewart launches his camraign here with two new cleribews which I commissioned yesterday:

I do believe I would be as good as Peter Levi and I'm certainly bent on out Fentoning James Fenton

would she actually want a poetry

and the rider: if the Muse could choose (from the greater and the lesser)

projection."

Pili poppet

PBC Eleakiest Time viewers were shocked yesterday by unlined Selina Scott's confession that she was taking pills "to slow down the aging process." Where on earth had she got such an idea? They might have eucssed: Barbara Cartland filled her head with SOD (Super Oxide Dismutase) during an interview at her Hatfield mansion, mercifully

O The GLC, patron of the minority, othnic, proletarian arts, has finally succumbed. It has commissioned a work for its open-air concert at the Crystal Palace Bowl on July 29 by composer Derek Bourgeois.

1 roops in

An unlikely tale comes from Belfast where I hear that a Sinn Fein Alex Maskey, has British Army vehicles in Catholic West Belfast. This seeming aboutface from a supporter of Cut" is explained by the fact that because the army does not escort Post Office vans into the area, three offices have closed through lack of

BARRY FANTONI



'it must be serious. There's no bid yei from Maxwell'

Coles to Jordan

My Whitehall mole tells me that John Coles, Mrs Thatcher's Foreign Office private secretary to Number to Sir Alan Urwick, Britain's high-flying ambassador in Jordan, I understand that Sir Alan - who was recently knighted during the Queen's most dangerous royal tour there has sought the Jordanian government's agreement to the move. There is unlikely to be any difficulty: King Husain is a known admirer of Mrs Thatcher, and will probably be delighted to have her protege in Amman, Sir Alan, I suspect, will be stalling the handover. He is tipped to move on to Cairo where I am told the incumbent ambassador, Sir Lichael Weir, is refusing to budge until he retires next February. Also about to retire is our man in Baghdad. John Moberley, who seems destined to spend his years with Palestinian refugees: I am told the Government is lobbying to get him the job as Secretary-General of the UN Relief and Works Agency.

in common

Ken Livingstone, flush with the success of the Teames barrier's queenly inauguration, has admitted a change of heart about the Royal Family. When reminded by bio-grapher John Carvel at the ICA discussion yesterday about his carlier anti-royalist stand - including the comment that he couldn't see what the public gets from Princess Anne" - Ken said he had made a crucia! mistake: "I based my opinion of her on what I heard from

Death with dignity for the GLC

stage in the Commons this week (despite the Heath-Gilmour ripple effect) the bill to cancel the 1985 Greater London Council elections looks unstoppable. The growing certainty of demise will not however, stop the County Hall jobs boom. During April the GLC placed advertisements for at least a score of well-paid jobs that can scarcely last longer than the next 12 month, and the recruitment goes on.

It has sought to recruit special policy advisers (nuclear) and special policy researchers (arts and re-creation), a research assistant for employment and welfare, a clerk to the women's committee, a "senior policy implementation officer", a head of road safety, transport planners and, fittingly, a senior recruitment officer (£12,444 – £14.076).

There is a budget provision for some 1.500 extra staff to be taken on this year, plus staff for the Greater London Enterprise Board and for the multitude of voluntary organiza-tions supported by County Hall. And there is room for more. Underspending was one of the Labour administration's problems last year, this year there will again be difficulties in exhausting the huge budget provided by London's ratepayers.

Is it a scandal? It certainly seems that way to the Tory borough leaders who are relishing less and less sorting out the mess of London

evidence of Labour's wish to pull down the pillars of County Hall as they leave behind a trail of expensive commitments, contracts to be paid off and an army of permanent staff entitled to redun-

Yet expensive though these new jobs are and will be, they were clearly promised by Labour's 1984-85 budget. Indeed, what is surprising is just how little disruption and terminal extravagance there is in the GLC, despite its impending demise.

Those new jobs, say Labour councillors, are needed because the GLC show is still on the road; there is a rosy belief that the Lords could still delay abolition. Illtyd Harrington, deputy leader of the council, says the abolition battle has given the GLC such "credibility" that nothing must be allowed to mar its role of a democratic authority responsibly administering transport and the other services. and the other services.

GLC Staff Association, says col-leagues may be scanning other councils' vacancy lists, but there is no despair, even in such areas as architecture or planning. Labour's official line is that its propaganda may work; only the passage into law of the so-called

Paving Bill cancelling next year's GLC election will convince them

there are only months to go. Even then "responsibility" will rule until the signing and sealing of the

Peter Seers, of the 17,000-strong

next spring on current timetables. Meanwhile there is not much evidence of financial piggery-pokery.

The controversial Greater London Enterprise Board has been well funded for 1984-85; it has enough money to make a series of land and property purchases: because of its particular legal status (a company wholly owned by GLC councillors). unravelling it would be difficult.

There are suggestions that grants to voluntary organizations should by bumped up to provide financial security for several years. In other words the lesbians and ethnic and community arts bodies might be given money to buy property or in other ways to salt money away for use in that bleak post-GLC future.

Labour's frombench councillors.

the committee chairmen especially. are well aware that they face a dilemma. Do they so organize their administration over the next few months that it is simple to continue once the GLC goes (and so benefit the service consumers), or do they try to make the lines of management impossible to unravel? The South Bank arts complex could be prepared for hiving off as a unit under its director. Lord Birkett, the GLC's historic buildings adminis-tration is already prepared for its quangoid future as an independent entity; do they allow officers to proceed along these lines elsewhere? Labour's sense of responsibility has limits. Within months the GLC

will begin putting together a budget for 1985-86 to be used by the group of borough councillors who will take over in 1985. That budget will be "rate-capped". The finance chair-man. John McDonnell, could play an infinite variety of games with the figures, each of which could make very tricky indeed for Westminster's Lady Porter, Peter Bowness of Croydon, or the other Tory leaders. They will be caught between government ministers and ratepayers expecting rate reductions. and Londoners demanding unchanged fire cover, blue plaques, mended potholes and functioning

traffic lights. Alan Greengross, leader or the Tory group at the GLC, sees the months from February to May next year as the most difficult. By February the Government should have pushed the abolition bill through. What then would Labour have to lose?

The answer is that a few extremeleft Labour councillors might want disruption and administrative mayhem. But they do not include Ken Livingstone. Whatever else the Labour leader is (a new biography gives him the visage of a saint), he is gives him the visage of a saint), he is an ambitious politician who has always had an eye on the next rung. His future lies in national politics. He is unlikely to wish to see Labour adopt a nihilist line, Next spring there will be pyrotechnics at County

David Walker

Edward Mortimer urges a more realistic approach to the Saddam regime



The Russians are back in favour in Baghdad, Iraq's pro-Soviet tilt has become clearly visible to diplomats there only in the last two or three months, but it is the predictable response to a pro-Iraqi tiit in Soviet policy that was already clear last summer and probably goes back to the Iraqi deseat at Khorramshahr in May 1982, which led to Iraq's retreat from Iranian territory. It is said the Russians sought to dissuade Iran from carrying the war across the frontier. Rebuffed by the ayatollahs, they then made up their minds to avert an Iraqi collapse. That summer a Soviet military mission. led by a major-general, visited Iraq. The flow of Soviet weapons, already resumed on a small scale in May 1981, began in earnest in January

At that point Moscow may still have hoped to keep in with both sides. But by summer 1983, after the destruction of the communist Tudeh party in Iran, it must have been clear that Iraq offered better oppor-tunities. Last August two Iraqi-Soviet oil agreements, of unspecified content, were signed in Moscow, and in October Iraq received a visit from Yakov Ryabov, chairman of the Soviet State Committee on External Economic Relations. This 55-year-old senior official replaced an elderly nonentity as Soviet cochairman of the Soviet-Iraqi joint economic commission. That body met in Baghdad in March and prepared several major economic projects which were finalized during the visit to Moscow last month of Iraq's deputy prime minister and economic overlord, Taha Yasin

Tariq Aziz. the foreign minister and one of President Saddam Husain's closest advisers, confirmed to me last week that these projects include the development of the oil fields in the south (where Iraq's main untapped reserves are located), the construction of a "huge electrical complex", and a nuclear hydraulic plant in the north. Together, he said, they were worth a billion dollars, and they were to be financed by "very easy loans" on which Iraq would not have to start payments until after the projects were com-pleted, and for the first three or four years the interest payable would be

Ramadan.

Why Moscow must be denied an open door to Iraq

cut by half. The arms purchases, too, involved "easy and satisfactory" credit arrangements though they were not, he emphasized, outright

Moscow is thus making a sizable investment in the future of Iraq's tasteful. Baathist regime, and thereby is acquiring a major role in several key sectors of Iraq's economy. The political corollary is that relations are back on the cordial basis which

characterized them before 1974, What does all this mean for the West? Not, or not yet, that Iraq is turning its back on us. France, of course, remains a trusted and valued supporter. More generally, western firms are seen as best able to supply many of Iraq's needs, on strictly commercial terms. But Iraq does tend to see western countries other than France as hostile, because Iran is fighting with weapons mainly of western origin, and because its war effort is financed mainly by oil sales to the West with Japan the worst culprit. And even if the West were genuinely neutral, its performance would still compare unfavourably with Moscow's from the Iraqi point of view.

Does it matter? Not perhaps, if you think Iraq is going to lose the war anyway. But that looks rather less plausible than it did a year ago. Since then, it is true. Iran has been able to occupy small pockets of Iraqi territory, the most significant being the Majnoon islands in the marshes north-east of Basra, captured in a surprise attack in February. Iraq's use of chemical weapons in this battle - still stalwartly denied by Mr. Aziz for the record, but conceded by other officials in private - was widely interpreted as a sign of desperation. But it seems to have been done on a small scale, and confined to the marsh area where

Iraq could not deploy tanks. It may have been undertaken as an experiment, and to prove Iraq's determination to resist the Iranian "human waves" by whatever methods necessary, however dis-

steady now for nearly two years. lrag's superiority in equipment is clearer than ever, and Soviet support effectively guarantees that it will continue. Iraqi soldiers have proved they are willing to fight and die in defence of Iraqi soil. The Shia revolt on which Khomeini once counted has not occurred. The Baath regime has given proof not only of its ruthlessness (if that were ever in doubt) but also of its non-sectarian character and - by Middle Eastern standards anyway - of its incorruptibility. There are no stories of Baath leaders having Swiss bank accounts or luxury villas abroad. Some officials caught taking bribes have

There is no question. Mr Aziz assured me. of the rapproachment with Moscow leading to a reconciliation with the Iraqi communists, who "bear the responsibility of their short-sightedness and their negative attitude towards the revolution and the leadership". Only among the Kurds of the north does the regime feel the need to extend its popular base, and it has high hopes of doing so through an agreement with the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, led by Jalal Talabani.

The end of the war with Iran is not in sight, but the assumption that Iraq must crack sooner or later is not self-evident. Austerity has replaced ostentatious public works. Arab neighbours give financial help with growing impatience, but have little choice other than to continue. But Iraq's own oil exports should begin increase in the capacity of the Turkish pipeline from 850,000 to 980,000 barrels a day. Even more Americans agree to finance it.

emerge transformed: leaner, tougher, the only Arab nation to have held its own in battle for longer than five weeks. It will not be quite as nasty as Khomeini's Iran, but it will be hardly less formidable, and it is likely to feel it owes nothing to the

Yet there are people in Iraq who hope that the regime will then feel confident enough to allow a greater degree of internal freedom. Last week's symposium on The Gulf (organized jointly by the University Research Centre), at which Iraqi academics were encouraged to debate publicly with prominent Nasserist intellectuals from Egypt and with recently retired senior officials of the US State Department, even answering back to Mr Aziz himself who spoke at four of the sessions, was regarded by many as an unprecedented and potentially promising event - as was the friendly treatment given to Dr Hana Batatu, a Palestinian expert on Iraqi politics now working in the US and hitherto regarded by the regime as a public enemy.

becoming a liberal democracy, but especially if the West gives it slightly less grudging support now as it struggles to hold back the tide of aggressor in 1980 - the point is arguable, the provocation was extreme - but unquestionably it is continue the war. Iraq may be a very civilization, but what is at issue now between it and Iran is whether modern civilization is something to

important is the planned link to the pipeline which crosses Saudi Arabia to the Red Sca. This should enable fraq to start exporting another 1.500,000 barrels a day some time next year, or at the latest in 1986. Another million barrels a day could flow through the proposed new pipeline to Aqaba in Jordan, if the If Iraq does survive the war it will

Basra and London's Arab their point of view, at least two of It is hard to see Iraq ever

one can perhaps imagine it evolving into a more enlightened despotism, fanaticism. Iraq may have been the now only Iran that wants to imperfect representative of modern

Hongkong: a democratic challenge to Peking

The House of Commons will finally debate the future of Hongkong next week. Seven residents of the colony are now in London to persuade it that the liberties of 5.3 million people must be protected after China resumes sovereignty in 1997.
The bedrock issue for the people

of Hongkong is how to ensure that their free-wheeling way of life remains intact. China, for its part. must avoid a panic in a region that will soon be its most prosperous. especially because such a panic would further alarm Taiwan, which is next on Peking's list for reunification.

What worries the seven-man delegation of Hongkong notables now visiting Britain is that MPs, if not Foreign Office diplomats, are taking China's promises at their face value. The problem is that few in Hongkong believe the Chinese will

fulfil their guarantees. The delegates are concentrating on the final London-Peking settlement which may be drafted late this month and must be signed, to a Chinese-imposed deadline, in September. This settlement, the delegation insists, must be so tightly woven that China cannot renege. Only explicit provisions for post-1997 education, press freedom.

public security and the like will begin to restore confidence in the future of the territory.

One of the delegates represents Meeting Point an action group composed of young businessmen and professionals. Its chairman, Lao Nikeung, told me last week in Hongkong, "If I were in China, they would have crushed me already. But with things as they are - our prosperity, their need not to frighten Taiwan - we have a chance to get real guarantees and form a government so that we can stand up to

Most of Hongkong's inhabitants are refugees, or the children of refugees, from 30 years of Maoist deprivation of human and civil rights. Nothing unsettles such men more than article 35 of the new Chinese constitution which stipulates freedom of speech, press. assembly, association, and demonstration. None of these freedoms exists, except when it suits the Party.

It is not merely the educated classes who worry about 1997 and after. Eighty per cent of those who responded to a poll in Shamshuipo (West), the district represented by urban councillor Li Chikyuet, one of the London delegates, fear that despite its promises. Peking will intervene in Hongkong's affairs after the British depart

At the official Ta Kong Pao. the communist newspaper which transmits Peking's voice to the colony. one of its editors. Lee Tsungyee, admitted to me that "a question of confidence exists. But we have completely reversed 32 years of leftism (Dengist code for Maoism). We know that what has happened in China makes communism look Down the road is Xinhua, the

Chinese news agency, and Peking's unofficial embassy, the only Hongkong building over which the Red Flag invariably flies. Its vice-director. Li Chuwen, was equally conciliatory. "We are trying to create a China conducive to capitalism. This should inspire confidence in Hongkong. You must look at the big picture. Never mind the ripples." The "ripples" I had just asked him about were the recent campaign to combat "spiritual pollution" among intellectuals and the wave of executions which since late August has cost more than 6,000

Perhaps the most impressive of new guarantees recently given by the

Chinese, particularly because its reliability can be checked soon, was made to urban councillor Li Chikyuet two weeks ago in Peking. He was assured that when the National People's Congress drafts China's new Fundamental Law or mini-constitution within three years. Hongkong residents, perhaps from the Legislative or Executive Councils, and even expert expatriates, will participate.

But guarantees, no matter how watertight, are not enough for the seven Hongkong delegates, or for the millions whose hopes and demands they represent. What they want is an elected representative government, already in place at some local levels.

If this comes to pass - and China claims that it wants it to - Peking will be in a dilemma. It has already stated that whoever is elected as mayor or governor must secure China's approval, even though he will be a resident of Hongkong. But if Peking turns down a duly elected candidate it will be a fatal first move. On the other hand, can a regime which warns Tibetan yakherders not to read Sartre possibly keep its hands off 5.3m volatile. entrepreneurial ex-colonials?

Jonathan Mirsky

David Watt

Can Prior finesse the Forum?

There are two ways of looking at the New Ireland Forum's report. If you state and the joint authority. The New Ireland Forum's report. If you read it like an Ulsterman you see all the old "green" codology tumbling from the page. The nationalist arrogance, the awful sanctimoniousness, the historical fantasizing are all there, as usual, and in good measure.

Moreover it is ultimately a thoroughly self-serving document. whose recommendations are intended to promote the unification of the Irish island under conditions which, in the long run and in spite of all the proposed safeguards, would place the predominant influence where Republicans believe it rightly belongs - namely with the majority of the whole.

If you read the report as a citizen of the Irish Republic, you see it in a very different light. You compare it with past declarations on this subject from the political parties of the republic and marvel at how far they have agreed (pace Mr Charles Haughey) to modify the old shibboleths. The public admission that unification can come about only by negotiated consent and that . Irish nationalism has in the past "underestimated the full dimension of the Unionist identity and ethos

is a giant step forward.

The promise that a new Ireland would need a new constitution based on religious and cultural diversity implies, although it does not explicitly state, that the specifi-"Catholic" clauses of the present constitution of the republic, including the recently approved anti-abortion amendment, would be thrown out (presumably over the furious opposition of the church hierarchy).

Both these readings are legitimate and true in their way. Unionists are entitled to be sceptical about the report because, when all the wrapping is taken off, it still enshrines an aspiration that most of them instinctively reject.

But the fact remains that it also contains sentiments and proposals that even five years ago, would not have had the faintest chance of securing official consensus in Dublin. The question for the government in Westminster is whether this resolution of the proposals of the propo second (Republican) truth really changes anything, given that the first (Unionist) truth remains immutable. The starting point of the calcu-

lation, naturally, is to decide if Northern Protestant opposition to unification really is adamant under any terms the Republic might offer now, and in the foreseeable future. My own impression is that it is. Of course the Protestant population is not monolithic - the countryside being less anti-Catholic than the towns, for instance, and the middle classes less so than the working class. But one generalization is true. When the Forum admits that the South has underestimated the toughness and cultural obduracy of the Unionist mind it does not go nearly far enough. Even English public opinion has no real conception of what it means.

Protestant Ulster, collectively speaking, has had a siege mentality for more than 300 years, and everything that has happened in the last 15 years has simply hardened it still further. Like the Quebecois, the Basques or the Afrikaners, the Northern Protestants define themselves by their senarateness. Such people are bound to be deeply suspicious of newly-minted Republi can promises to respect their way of life. They are not about to risk the slightest sacrifice of their own cultural integrity in order to restore the "historic integrity" (again, the Forum phase) of Ireland. Indeed, they will violently resist any steps which look like a serious threat to it. This completely rules out, from

first sweeps away the border which they regard as the only real defence against eventual assimilation; the second, by putting them partly under Republican authority, is (if it is more than purely cosmetic) a thick end of an even thicker wedge.
The third (confederal) idea looks far
the most promising as a long-term
bet for it would allow the Protestants no devolve apwards to a joint Belfast-Dublin authority only so much of their sovereignty (say, in foreign relations) as they are ready to give up at any given time. The snag here is that it presupposes ar-independent Ulster capable of taking such decisions - and an independent Ulster (while by no means unacceptable to Mr Ian Paisiey) is unacceptable to Mr Ian Paisiey) able both to the official Union to and the Catholic minority.

If I am right that these are the basic views of the majority of the Protestants, then the shift in Republican views which the Forum had signalled does not actually help much. In fact it makes matters more difficult by putting Mrs Thatcher and her colleagues in the dangerous position of either trying to coerce the Protestants or of appearing more to the Catholic minority. Of course it is a crucial part of the Forum's case that this is not a Hobson's choice. Britain, they believe, can and must resort to coercion.

The "can" part - now elaborated by the Irish Prime Minister -depends on a distinction between handing over any sovereignty to Dublin (which would transgress the "consent" clause of the 1973 Northern Ireland Constitution Act) and an arbitrary but, in Dr. FitzGerald's view, entirely legal decision of the British government that Dublin should have a "say" in running the province.

The "must" element is, in effect, a claim that unaftered direct rule from Westminster is now more dangerous than the alternatives. The gains of Sinn Fein in the North and the decline of the moderate-Republican SDLP portend, it is said, a complete breakdown of Catholic consent unless something is done to give the Catholic minority an outlet for their asnirations.

The signs are that Mr Prior, the Northern Ireland Secretory, and even the Prime Minister accept at least a major part of the must case, especially now that the Forum report has heightened Catholic expectations. Some gesture has to be made. The coercion of the Protestants is quite another matter. Even leaving aside Conservative Party calculations and the blandishmens. of Mr Enoch Powell (whose recent discovery and proclamation of Mrs Thatcher's unexampled wisdom and : even genius is, no doubt, signifi-cent), the notion that the British government could risk the serious alienation of the Protestant majority, with all that might entail in terms of increased rension and violence, is simply not possible.

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In these circumstances the only conceivable finesse open to Cabinet is some variant of the FitzGerald formula - that is, a, limited strengthening of London-Dublin cooperation on Ulster (perhaps with some new parliamentary dimension), which can just about be sold in the Falis Road as a bit of "joint authority" but which can be presented in East Belfast as leaving the realities pretty much as they are. It is a pretty paltry option but it is about as much as responsible politicians looking for lesser evils in the real world of Ulster can get out of the Forum report; and perhaps, with luck, that may be better than nothing.

Philip Howard

Cathedrals with aspirations

am worried about Gloucester Cathedral. No doubt the old heap can stand it having stood up to heavier burdens for nine centuries. The worry is whether it should be included in the premier division of the top 10 British cathedrals.

Grading cathedrals is more fun than Desert Island Discs. For one thing, the music is better. For another thing, you do not have to put up with Roy Plomley asking fulsome questions in that plummy

Of course this High Victorian passion for making lists is subjective and silly. Such aesthetic judgments depend on a great many variables. from the weather and the company in which you visit the cathedral, to whether they are singing a Matthew Passion or performing an Alternative Service, with your next-door neighbour grabbing you and giving you a greeting of peace. (As it happens, they were both doing both when I last visited Gloucester), Cathedral-collecting is not objective; but it is fun,

For the purpose of the game, I think we have to include abbeys. It s tempting not to, for the relief of being able to leave out Westminster. But not ruined abbeys; for if you include them, a sense sublime of Tintern is a strong contender for the first division; and Fountains and St Andrews are dark and ruinous horses.

One man's misericord is another man's postern. But I take it that there can be no argument about the first nine of the top 10. Lincoln and Durham, of course; York and Canterbury: Exeter and Salisbury; St Paul's - even though the great bubble dome is fenced in by modern matchboxes, it is still the pride and joy of London; and I do not see how you can exclude Westminster Abbey, dammit.

and logic insist that Ely takes ninth place: that octagon lantern, rising over the Fens like the crow's nest of a stately sailing ship, gives Ely one of the top three distant cathedral prospects in Britain; the other two being, naturally, Lincoln and Dur-

Sorry, Norwich. The heart bleeds for the misericords of Beverley and the leaves of Southwell. Tough, Winchester and Wells. It is too long since I visited Lichfield; but remember that tower and spire as an astonishing candidate for such a small town. Worcester I have seen only as an accessory to cricket on the box. Peterborough, St. Alban's, Rochester ... sorry, chaps; but top of the second division. The ninth place is a neck-and-neck contest between Gloucester and Hereford.

Gloucester has a lot going for it. its western approaches up the banks of the Severn provide one of the greatest distant prospects. The transition from the Romanesque nave into that soaring choir, to dazzle the eyes with an east window as big as a tennis court, but glazed five centuries before they invented lawn tennis, is a parable of what it is going to be like to ascend into Heaven, should we be so lucky Robert of Normandy still has his legs crossed jauntily. The image and environs of Gloucester Cathedral are imprinted on the English memory by the third most influential of all nursery books, The Tailor of

Gloucester. Nevertheless, I am sorry to have to tell you that Hereford takes the tenth place in the first division. I could explain why. But it would be more persuasive for you to go and have another look for yourself, preferably as the bright sun sets, and paints the queen of the Welsh marches every soft shade of pink

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BIG SPENDER

Treasury Secretary, continues to insist that the budget deficit is the United States gift to the world economy – and nothing to world economy - and nothing to do with rising American interest rates. President Reagan himself, it seems, has come to see the budget deficit as something of an electoral liability.

This conversion is welcome; but as the week's events have shown dangerously late. Although Mr Reagan has requested, and Congress may even deliver, a down-payment on his budget-cutting plans before the presidential election, the present reality is that the federal government is still pumping huge sums into a fast-expanding economy. The most recent rise in interest rates is the Federal Reserve rates is the Federal Reserve Board's response to faster-thanexpected economic expansion, which makes the budget deficit all the more inflammatory. Those of the President's men who criticize the Fed's chairman. Mr Paul Volcker, for applying the financial brakes are like a bunch of pyromaniacs who complain that the fire brigade has ruined their carpets.

America's trading partners do not, by and large, criticise the Fed: they lay the blame for rising interest rates squarely at the door of the White House. Their first complaint is that European interest rates have to follow suit, a consequence about which the Germans are particularly bitter. They believe that a rise in interest rates now will damage economic recovery in general and Germany's progress towards structural reinvestment in par-.ticular.

gan's Council of Economic all their brave talk about "de-Advisers, has done his bit to coupling interest rates into change the Washington climate action. When the Europeans of opinion against America's retort that they can stand only so large federal deficit. Only Mr much of an exchange-rate de-Donald Regan, the President's cline against the dollar, the Americans deploy their second defence: that dollar strength merely reflects economic vitality. It is the golden investment opportunities in the vibrant

American economy, say the President's men, that attract capital inflows and push up the dollar - not the crude lure of high American interest rates. Admittedly, the American economy is working, adjusting and investing more productively

than Europe. The dollar is

strengthened by the cutback in

capital outflows from the United

States, which has virtually given up investing in arthritic European economies. But much of the inflow into the United States takes the form of short-term financial deposits, and interest rates have had to rise way above European levels to suck in enough of them to plug the hole in the federal

government's finances. This quarrel between Europe and America has been going on so long that it had virtually fallen off the end of the agenda for next month's London economic summit. The hope had been that general recovery - world output has been accelerating for two years - would induce optimism, unanimity and a concentration on longer-term issues, such as trade liberalisation and "structural" adjustment to technological change. The rise in interest rates has forced on to the agenda an issue several goverments had sought to avoid: the nagging problem of third-world

America's summit colleagues in Europe and Japan are united To this criticism the Ameri- in their concern about the cans have two defences. First, impact of higher interest rates on

Mr Martin Feldstein, the departing chairman of President Rea-to follow suit, and should turn on their ability to buy western goods and repay western debt. Too much of this debt is denominated in dollars, at variable interest rates, so that each one percentage point rise adds \$3.5 billion to developing countries' interest burden. In the last resort, this problem forces its own solution: already, the banks are having to rearrange their loans in order to reduce debt payments by as much as \$40 billion this year, and much of the extra interest burden will probably go the same rescheduled

> But the strain of this on western banks - particularly on American banks - is becoming acute. Perhaps it would be no bad thing if one of the many restructuring negotiations finally collapsed under the strain, providing banks and borrowers with real experience as to whether sovereign default is always worse than cumulative rescheduling. But rising interest rates would be the worst precipitating cause; they penalise those who are trying to put their house in order quite as much as the improvident, and handicap the return to world financial stability.

Many technical schemes designed to lessen the impact of high interest rates are being drawn up for the summitteers. None of these palliatives compares with a cure of the fundamental American problem. Yet even with the President on board, the cause of budgetary reform proceeds agonisingly slowly. He is now paying the price of past complacency: a credit crunch and a missed opportunity to cut his deficit at the easiest moment, which is when economic growth is strongest. All he can do now is strengthen the political conviction that his cuts package is only the first of many. Changing tack in election year may be difficult, but vacillation has its proven disadvantages.

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

the subject of Central America conveyed about the dangers to American security posed by Soviet, Cuban and Nicaraguan subversion in Central America. On the political level it seems likely to have achieved a more solid bi-partisan approach to Central American issues than the President might have expected in election year, certainly to judge from the tenuous bi-partisanship evident when the Kissinger recommendations were published earlier this year. Beyond creating an atmosphere of bi-partisanship, however, it also appears from Speaker O'Neill's initial response to the broadcast that the President will now secure some Congressional movement in support of those recommendations. There will thus be further aid for Salvador, though not for the Nicaraguan groups who are fighting the revolutionary government in Managua. Support for them will not have been made any easier by yesterday's preliminary decision of the International Court at the Hague which called on the United States to cease its assistance for military activity against the Sandinista government. In electoral terms the

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By most accounts President President's advisers will have of hundreds of thousands of Reagan's televised address on cause to be happy with such a bi-the subject of Central America pratisan result. They have been oppression to seek entry into our about and partly because they fear that, whatever the issue is, it could lead to an unwelcome entanglement of American forces.

The President did not mince his words about the issue. He portrayed it as one in which Soviet, then Cuban and now Nicaraguan efforts are directed to subverting Central America and undermining the security of the United States. Why should the presence of communist revolutionary regimes in Cuba and Nicaragua necessarily do that? It is because they are quite open about their intention to export their revolution.

However, beyond that potential interference with supplies (which poses the same threat to Europe since much of Nato's replenishment in a crisis would travel the same route) there is another spectre, briefly but significantly mentioned by the President. He referred to the fact that subversion in Salvador had caused 400,000 refugees. There are another 800,000 refugees all over Central America.

was a considerable political troubled by the evidence that the country are well founded", Mr triumph. It was skilfully pre- Central American issue causes Reagan said. Compared to the sented, dramatic in detail and concern among voters. That is private misgivings in the Adforceful in the simple message it partly because voters do not ministration that was an understand what the issue is statement. Officials fear that continuing subversion of the 100 million people who live between the Panama Canal and the US/Mexican border could provoke a massive domestic upheaval within the United States itself. They think that it is only a matter of time before Central American stability creates an influx of refugees travelling north through Mexico which could amount to millions if the instability had by then also infected Mexico. Such an influx could not be tolerated within the United States, but since the border with Mexico is currently manned by only 600 customs officials, how could it be pre-vented? The Administration calculates that it would take at least eight divisions to police such a border properly in conditions of major social disturbance.

America's allies in Nato might ponder seriously on the fact that there is only one place those divisions could come from: Europe. Such a strategic prize as the American detachment from Europe would be well worth the 5 billion dollar annual subsidy which the Soviet Union currently extends to Cuba.

"Concerns about the prospect

IT WAS LATE SIXTY-EIGHT . . .

At first it sounds like a change: "Danny the Red becomes a Green". In fact it is not a long journey across the political spectrum. Herr Daniel Cohn-Bendit who has now joined the Green Party in West Germany, was a prominent figure in the student movement of 1968, but in spite of his nickname he was never a communist or Marxist in any orthodox sense. He was an anarchist, a non-believer in institutions, a radical by temperament more than logic, as disdainful of the ossified bureaucracies of the Soviet block as he was of the allegedly oppressive structures of Western capitalism. A few of his contemporaries moved on into terrorism but most merged into conventional life, acquiring jobs, families and orthodox views. He, however, remained faithful to the fringe and this now enables him, at the advanced age of 38, to step across easily across from the protests of the past to those of the present, once again making headlines, though this time

How big is his step? Are the Greens the natural heirs of the students of 1968? Although their concerns are different there are many strands that link them. The student revolts which spread around the world in 1968 had specific roots in each country but

idealistic impatience with established institutions, a belief that if old structures were overthrown they could be replaced by a new world of spontaneity, creativity and social justice. The heroes of the time were Che Guevara, Fidel Castro and Herbert Marcuse, and many students from prosperous middle class homes Western Europe and the United States managed to convince themselves that they were fighting the same battle as the anti-colonial movements of the Third World. They were against existing power structures, and materialism; they were for peace and justice. The fact that their own prosperity had been created by the system they professed to abhor seemed only to exacerbate their sense of guilt. The product of a huge expansion in university education, many of them saw the universities themselves as in some way the front line of an oppressive system.

Today's Greens in West Germany have more specific concerns, primarily nuclear war especially in their distrust of and ecology. Most of them are against violence, whereas many of the students of 1968 were fascinated by attempts to justify matic than the students of 1968 it intellectually, and some by they are a great improvement violence itself. The Greens are They provide some valuable mostly not as revolutionary as yeast in the system. But it is still their forebears. They think more reassuring that the voters feel in terms of alternative, parallel their contribution belongs on the

existing structures. They are also somewhat more eclectic and tolerant, ostensibly less concerned with general doctrines than with action on issues.

This is both their strength and their weakness. They have gathered support from many different parts of the political spectrum, from the far left, the centre and from the old traditions of German conservatism, all of them more or less united against acid rain, nuclear weapons and President Reagan. Yet because they distrust organization they have not been good at organizing. Because they distrust power they have cut down their leaders. Because they distrust politics they have handicapped their elected representatives. And because they have gathered so many disparate elements in their broad embrace they have had to contain a lot of disagree-

They are true heirs of the radical tradition in all this, and conventional politics. To the extent that the Greens are less violent, destructive and dogthey had in common a restless, ways of life, detached from fringe rather than at the centre.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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upon the length and levels of initial

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Piecemeal changes to the edu-

cation and training system have

been made for the past century. No

expression has yet been given.

however, to society's increasing

recognition that a fundamental

overhaul of the total education and

training system is needed if Britain

is to remain internationally com-

Structures have to be found which

will make the system directly

responsive to the market but

without damaging the pure research part of the fabric.

met to achieve this: the steady integration of the education and

training system in recognition of

their increasing interdependency

and multi-sources of funding for

education and training established in such a way that individuals can have access to different resources to

support themselves and the cost of

their education according to need,

Education institutions, too, should

from a similar variety of sources.

have access to the funds they need

those calling for a new commission into education and training, which

will look across not just the sectors

governed by the University Grants Committee and the National Advis-

ory Body, but the whole fabric of

secondary and tertiary education

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Yours faithfully

May I add my voice, therefore, to

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Fair play for all in Olympics

From Mr Richard J. Kelly Sir, The Soviet boycon certainly need not bring about the demise of the Olympic movement, but it does give an opportunity for a reappraisal

of the organization of the games. The two major faults of the games at present are, first, that they are so large and unwieldy as to make it very difficult for any city to provide adequate facilities, secondly, that they are susceptible to political pressures of the kind which we are now witnessing. May I make some

suggestions.?
The Olympic Games should be a contest between individuals. If all team sports were dropped from the programme this would have the effect of lessening the element of nationalism which has developed

over the years.

As competitors would be taking part as individuals there would be no national teams and no parade of nations at the opening ceremony. There would be no boycott of individual competitors because of the political attitudes of their homelands, over which they have no control and with which they may violently disagree.

Dropping team sports from the programme would go some way towards reducing the size of the games. Another desirable step would be to retain only those events in which performance is measurable in terms of time, distance, height,

weight, hits on target.
No sport should be contenanced which relies on assessment by judges of "technique" or "artistic im-pression". Such sports would continue, of course, to organize their own world championships, but they should have no place in the

Olympics.

I believe that these changes would make for a viable and independent Yours faithfully,

R. J. KELLY, Brockles House, Morningtons. Harlow, Essex.

Missing the boat

From Mr R. G. R. Calvert

Sir. In your leading article, "Selling Sealink short" (May 1), no mention is made that it was the former railway companies that acquired and developed ports and sea services as a very legitimate extension of their transport systems. On the short routes to the Continent it was, and in my opinion still should be, vital to maintain continuity of service, "rail-sea-rail." with properly coordinated connections.

We may yet be thankful that the share of shipping belonging to the French railway company, SNCF, will remain under railway control. Incidentally, SNCF is no more ubsidized than is British Rail if the subvention is related to the traffic carried and to the size of the system. If Sealink, and some say the railways, may be sold off by auction. why does the nation not also sell the highway system (all of it)? The exchequer income need not suffer as, apart from a return on the capital value, the new owners would become liable to corporation tax and

to local rates. If British Rail may not keep a profitable subsidiary, allowable in the private sector, why should, for example, the British Broadcasting Corporation be allowed to retain its publishing department (books, recordings, tapes) and the shops through which they are sold? Yours faithfully,

R. G. R. CALVERT. 5 The Parade, Truro, Comwall.

Correcting the record

From Mr Peter Grajion draw your attention to two inaccurworks (May 1).

Reference is made to the "record" created by 3440 City of Truro and your reporter perpetuates the myth that this was the first locomotive to exceed 100 mph in this country. This is manifestly untrue as there is little or no evidence to prove that 3440 was travelling at any speed other than very quickly.

Scotsman and this record was created during the course of a trip from King's Cross to Leeds and return in 1934.

by William Dean. Yours truly,

PETER GRAFTON.

Mortimer, is sadly at fault in his memories, reported in The Times Diary on April 25, of the Isis National launched when Robert Maxwell became owner in 1963.

PETER GILLMAN. 21 Warminster Road, SE25. May 1

Industry finds trainees wanting The ability to be trained and retrain is intrinsic to career patterns

From Sir Kenneth Corfield

Sir. The more Britain moves towards a knowledge-based society the more education becomes the key to future wealth creation. The world belongs to those who understand this and act upon it.

There are over three million registered unemployed in Britain today. Perhaps as many as half of the total unemployed are under 25. Paradoxically - and tragically -many British companies are constrained in their growth by skill shortages. These are especially severe in the electronics industry and in other sectors requiring electronics and related skills.

We need electronics engineers, test technicians, systems analysis, technical authors, design, development and sales engineers, appli-cations engineers. We also need mechanical engineers to design the tools of the manufacturing plant.

Britain spends less per head on education and allocates a significantly lower percentage of total spending to vocational education than most of her major international competitors. There is thus a correspondingly lower proportion of skilled people entering the work population.

It also explains why individuals find it difficult to train in the face of change. Retraining demands higher general levels of education because it imparts basic conceptual and learning capabilities.

Britain also has less full-time enrolments in higher education than her major industrial competitors. Annual entry to higher education as a percentage of the relevant age group in 1975 was 22 per cent compared to 28 per cent in France, over 30 per cent in Italy and 40 per cent in Japan. The number of trainees in manufacturing is now barely half the level of the mid-

Mr Kinnock's company

From Mr Douglas Eden

Sir, In your April 28 leader, "The company they keep", you depicted accurately and effectively the communist associations and objectives of Mr Arthur Scargill. These are well known, but your description of Mr Neil Kinnock as a moderate manocuvred into sharing platforms with communists is surely too generous. Labour's leader has had much experience of such platforms.

There is a great deal of evidence to indicate a coincidence of ideas between Mr Kinnock and Mr Scargill. For instance, what could Labour's leader have meant when he told the Broad Left Alliance Journal
18 months ago. "I must emphasise
that there is nothing in the Labour
Party constitution that could or should prevent people from holding opinions which favour Leninisti rotskvism".

Is it not significant that Mr Kinnock is the only Labour MP ever to serve on the Labour Research Department's executive committee? The LRD is not part of the Labour Party. It is a classic front organisation under communist control since the 1920s and the majority of Mr Kinnock's colleagues on both the executive and its editorial board. including the secretary, are members of the Communist Party.

Why should a moderate upholder of liberal democracy agree to be a sponsor of the Friends of Afghanistan Society, a front organisation set up after the Soviet coup to mobilise opinion in favour of the puppet regime in Kabul? Mr Kinnock's fellow sponsors include a past chairman (and present mem-ber) of the British Communist Party's Executive Committee.

the Communist Party's newspaper, the Morning Star, campaign to increase its readership. He is a member of the Institute for Workers' Control, a Eurocommupist-run gathering point for Marxist-Leninists and related ideologues from all parties and groups of the far Labour's leader does draw the line

Mr Kinnock has worked with two

other communist fronts and helped

at those followers of Trotsky who do not support his leadership. His criticism of the Militant Tendency shows there are limits to Mr Kinnock's broad church, but this is in line with Lenin's condemnation of "left-wing communism" as an "infantile disorder". All these organisations, to which

Mr Kinnock has lent the distinction of being sponsored, supported and served by a leading member of a democratically elected Parliament, were official anathema Labour Party before 1973. However they may be described, no taxonomist of revolutionary socialism would ever refer to them as "soft left" or "moderate".

It is therefore not unreasonable to conclude that Mr Kinnock's differences with Mr Scargill are tactical rather than ideological. Because Mr Kinnock is in opposition and Mr Scargill occupies a position of power, the parliamentary road to revolutionary socialism has had to defer to the industrial road - as, eight years ago, Mr Mikardo had to defer to Jack Jones, albeit angrily and resentfully. Moderation has nothing to do with it. Yours faithfully,

on the committee system and on

each committee, Education, Health,

J. D. EDEN. 20 Shepherds Hill, Highgare, No.

Closing an Irish gap

Sir, At the not inconsiderable risk of infuriating GWR enthusiasts I must acies in the article on Swindon

Sir, Last week, by invitation, I went to Ulster to address the Annual Conference of Local Authorities of Northern Ireland. These are the district councils, the only tier of local government that now exists in the province. Above them there is only what you, Sir, have named "the Macrory gap", which I find flattering but embarrassing, because many people have jumped to the con-clusion that it was Macrory who

created that gap. The first authenticated speed in excess of 100 mph goes to the credit of former LNER Pacific 4472 Flying You did your best to correct that impression in your recent leader (April 28) in which you summed up the present position succincily and accurately. My theme at the conference last

Your reporter further noted that 3440 was designed by G. J. Churchward It was in fact designed week was, as it has long been the urgent need to close the Macrory gap by restoring the major local government services in Ulster to local democratic control. This was also

Whitstone Road, Paignton,

Isis' then and now

From Mr Peter Gillman

Sir. Your informant Edward

I was the first editor, not Geoffrey James and the scheme had considerable success. We increased the print run from 1,000 to 5,000 and several issues sold out completely, including one devoted to Joseph Losey's film The Servant, which became a collector's item.

The scheme may have flopped after my departure, but during my editorship Maxwell promoted with much verve. In view of his possible future as a national newspaper proprietor, it is also worth pointing out that Maxwell guaranteed Isis complete editorial independence. Yours sincerely,

A regional council on the Scottish model, with executive local government powers, would have no prime minister or Cabinet. It would work From Sir Patrick Macrory

> Planning, etc., each of the political parties would be represented in proportion to its strength as a whole. It might well be that the minority parties would be given the chair-manship of some of these com-mittees, as Brian Faulkner offered them years ago in the Stormont days, Here, surely, is the road to real and meaningful power-sharing. The present Assembly is there, ready and waiting to be converted into a regional council such as I am

suggesting.

Moreover, I feel that Irish of different political persuasions may talk more sense when debating a practical issue, such as the need for a recreation park or a new main drain in Limavady, than when they are getting worked up over the ancient wrongs of Kathleen-ni-Houlihan or engaging in heated debates as to whether the Maiden City is to be called Londonderry (its name for nearly 400 years) or Derry.

Yours sincerely, PATRICK MACRORY, The Athenaeum. Pall Mall, SW1.

Queue for service

From Sir Robert Lusty

the minority.

Sir. Greater productivity, we are for ever being told, is the answer to most of our problems. In whose interest such may ultimately be is seldom questioned.

the theme of the Ulster Unionist

Assembly Party's recent discussion paper, The Way Forward. Although

von dismissed this paper rather

contemptuously as "the Unionists' pennyworth". I do submit that it is

at the local government level that we

can best make a start to secure co-

operation between the majority and

Certainly the productivity in many aspects and of many activities in this considerable north Cotswold village (with its thriving small industries centre) is much enhanced by the excellent postal service it has enjoyed serviced admirably within its own community and now under threat by the postal moguls of

distant Worcester in another county. They seem worried, not about the service they are employed to promote, but the productivity of their own operations, whatever else these may be. In consequence it is suggested that our first delivery should be delayed for some three or

four vital working hours and our

It is unlikely that this threat is unique to this community. But for such to be deprived of an early post is an extremely serious prospect to local businesses and concerns of all kinds which, in so-called rural areas, are even more reliant upon their posts than their counterparts in larger towns.

second should be suspended.

Yours faithfully. ROBERT LUSTY, Broad Close, Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire.

African alms from the armed forces

From Dr Alec Dickson

Sir. Armed forces in Africa are unlikely to be disbanded in the next decade or be reduced to a combat strength of some 5,000, as Charles Meynell urges (feature, May 1). But they could, here and now, make a formidable contribution to problems which seem insoluble by any other

The youngsiers, unemployed and virtually homeless, who cluster around filling stations with outstretched begging bowls - how can they be helped? Not by alms, but by the army. Illiterate for the greater part, they will never be accepted in any vocational centre. Yet the motor transport section of any military unit could quickly impart to them the practical skills to set themselves up in business as roadside menders of cycles: and any Signals Corps unit or the equivalent of our REME could teach them to repair radios.

sewing machines or air conditioners. There is no need in peacetime for Medical Corps units to run static military hospitals; sick soldiers can be cared for in civilian wards. With their ambulances they could respond to the horrendous traffic accidents that occur so frequently in Africa and gain experience in treating wounds as grave as those encoun-tered amongst battle casualties. With their facilities for refriger-

ation they could deliver vaccines to village clinics, helping immunisation programmes and campaigns against tetanus, diphtheria, polio, smallpox, TB and measles. They could provide the logistic back-up for drives against bilharzia, malaria, river blindness, sleeping sickness and yaws.

Such a role would keep them on their toes. Hospital work can easily become routinised, whilst disaster relief and field operations call for quick responses. There is a func-tional as well as a linguistic connection between mobility and

mobilisation.
in the Sahel and other droughtstricken areas only a massive deployment of an army's whole Corps of Engineers - aided perhaps by Education Corps personnel to still peasants' apprehensions and secure their cooperation - can cope with the well-boring and irrigation tasks which are quite beyond the capacity of a provincial agricultural department. Even the attachment of just a couple of sappers to a community self-help scheme could result in culveris, water tanks and small bridges being tackled by villagers. By becoming soldiers without enemies on the home front, their capacity to deal with external aggression is strengthened, not

eakened. Many senior officers from foreign defence forces attend Staff College courses in this country. Do we involve them in such exercises (in which British forces have a proud record) or just make a passing reference to them in a single lecture? Do our desence attachés ever hint that, apart from the provision of technical hardware, we have experience in military aid to the civil community?

ALEC DICKSON. 19 Blenheim Road, W4. May 4.

Liverpool heritage

From the Chief Executive of the English Tourist Board

Sir. On visiting the International Garden Festival at Liverpool one is impressed and excited by the newly created three-dimensional landscape with structures. This is a unique collection of the best work of our leading landscape designers and contractors. We have a new bit of

heritage.
This part of the site should be made a conservation area at once. In this way we can retain for the stimulation and enjoyment of future generations examples of current landscape design at least as valuable as the groupings of nineteenth-cen-

tury architecture we protect. As with architecture, we cannot protect landscape without making arrangements for its future mainten-ance and use. This site cannot remain as a garden festival, but it could be the setting for other human activities compatible with its charac-

How nice it is to feel that as a nation we can still create and look after additions to our heritage of the highest quality. Yours faithfully

ANDREW THORBURN. Chief Executive, English Tourist Board, 4 Grosvenor Gardens, SW1.

Slanging the Japanese From Canon A. J. Bennitt

Sir. The IBA is wrong to censure the comedian who referred to the Japanese as Nips (report, May 5). In the Singapore prison camp where I spent 31/2 years our captors told us we must always refer to them as Nipponese, never as Japanese, The Anglican Church in Japan has always been the Nippon-Sei-Ko Kai. Yours faithfully,

A. J. BENNITT. 4 Kytson Cottages. Hengrave, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

May 5.

Landscaping and BR

From Dr J. C. Moore-Gillon Sir, Miss Rosemary Bashford (May 8) observes that "many stopping trains travel slowly enough for an observant onlooker to watch nature at work". She will be pleased to know that British Rail also regularly offers this valuable recreational and educational opportunity on Inter-City services. Yours faithfully.

JOHN MOORE-GILLON, 47 Elmwood Road, SE24, May 8.



COURT AND SOCIAL

Pakistan Women's Associatio

(United Kingdom Branch) Spring Feast held at Hotel Intercontinental,

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
May 10: The Duke of Kent, as
President today visited the Lifeboat
Stations of Longhope, Stromness
and Kirkwall in Orkney, and in the
evening attended a Musical Evening
at Blair Castle, Blair Atholl, in aid of
the Party Notional Lifetic Mariane

at Blair Castle, Blair Atholl, in aid of the Royal National Lifeboar Institution.
His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Charles Blount.
The Duchess of Kent today opened the Clarendon Wing, Leeds General Infirmary, and later opened the new Headquarters of Brass.

Region, Leeds.
Mrs David Napier was in

May IO: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were present this morning at the Dedication of the Diplomatic Gates commemorating

the Bicentennial of the Treaty of Paris, in Grosvenor Square, London and afterwards attended a Recep-tion at the Embassy of the United

Lady Nicholas Gordon Lennor was in attendance,

A memorial service for Professo

Brian Westerdale Downs will be held in the Chapel of Christ's

College, Cambridge, on Saturday, June 2 at 2.30 pm.

States of America.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

nications, North East

YORK HOUSE

Mrs Howard Page was in

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 10: Sir Hugh Springer (Governor-General of Barbados) had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael

Lady Springer had the honour of being received by The Queen. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this morning opened the Northern and Shell Building, Mill

Harbour, London, E14. Her Royal Highness toured the building escorted by the Chairman (Mr Richard Desmond), and unveiled a commemorative plaque. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Chancellor of the Univer-sity of London, this evening attended the Presentation Cer-emony of Honorary Life Member-ships of the University of London Union (President, Mr Hayden Williams) at the University.

Her Royal Highness, President of the Save the Children Fund, subsequently attended the Grey-hound Race Meeting, in aid of the Fund, at the White City Stadium, Mrs Richard Carew Pole was in

By command of The Queen, the Viscount Long (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this afternoon upon the arrival of The King and Queen of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and welcomed Their Majesties on

Birthdays today

88; Sir Ernest Harrison, 58; Professor Anthony Hewish, 60; Mr Justice Hollis, 57; Sir Robert Hunt. 66; Sir Albert Kennedy, 78; Professor W. N. Medlicott, 84; Brigadier Joan Moriarty, 61: Sir Ian Percival, QC, MP, 63: Mr Mike Slemen, 33: Sir Ronald Swayne, 66; the Hon Montague Woodhouse, 67. Miss Maureen Lipman is 38, not 48.

David Wall, principal dancer with the Royal Ballet since 1966, is 10 retire from dancing in August, it was announced yesterday. Mr Wall, who in recent years has been dogged by injuries, is to become associate director with the Royal Academy of Dancing.

Leign-Pembe Long, MA.

Tutorial fellowships: Dr Simon M Balamon MA. DPhil (Heritord and Welson college, make make passing to the retire from exhabitions). R H Season of Eastborne College, May R G Granding School, A R J Weals, classical formerty of Eastborne College, May R G Barton, medicine informerty of Thomas Exhibitions, Miss R M Cowler, med lang. Exhibitions, Miss R M Cowler, med lang. C M Shackis, theology flormerty of Sutton Hugh School.

CLARENCE HOUSE May 10: Councillor R Saunders, Speaker of the Confederation, today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Lord Warden and Admiral

of the Cinque Ports.
Queen Elizabeth The Queen
Mother this afternoon opened All
Saints Church Hall, Ascot. Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston and Sir Martin Gilliat were in

KENSINGTON PALACE May 10: The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Civic Trust for the North East, this morning inspected restoration work carried out by Northern Heritage Trust at Black Bull Inn, Alnwick and Belford Hall, Belford, His Royal Highness was entertained to luncheon at Northumberland Hall by the Chairman of Alnwich District Council (Councillor E. Tully) and afterwards inspected restoration and

development work in Alnwick, Northumberland, The Duke of Gloucester later The Duke of Gioucester later travelled to Glasgow in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to attend 1984 Festival of Architecture celebrations, and on arrival visited the Burrell Collection and the "Scotstyle" Exhibition at the Art Collection and Museum

Gallery and Museum,
His Royal Highness was entertained to dinner at Albany Hotel,
Glasgow by the President, Royal
Incorporation of Architects in
Scotland (Mr J. Richards) and the
President Glasgow Institute of President, Glasgow Institute of Architects and Convener, Festival of Architecture (Mr D. Leslie).

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon
Bland was in attendance.
The Duchess of Gloucester was present this evening at the Alt son on May 1, 1984.

Mr David Harry Adams to be a

the Nottingham and Derby group of courts to the Guildford group

college: Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, MA. To an honorary fellowship of the

University news

Oxford

Happy harpist: Jeanette Cordery, resident harpist at the

Savoy Hotel, with her rare £17,000 concert grand harp,

which was hand made in Chicago and recently delivered

to the Savoy (Photograph: John Voos).

Nae Macallan . . . Nae Fish.

in years gone by on a certain loch of our acquaintance.

Donald toiled all morning at the oars

It was a bad morning for trout, the water a glassy calm.

A STORY IS TOLD of Donald, a revered ghillie

But the otiose Sassonachs had other ideas.

The wind rose. And all afternoon while every other

'Nae Macallan, said Donald, at last, 'Nac fish'.

boat on the loch was landing an almost miraculous draught

'No fish, Donald, they cried, 'Then no whisky,'

of trout, Donald rowed his clients slowly up and down the one

the bank, and surveyed them gravely as they rifled

through their treasuries of insult, goggling

like the trout they had so signally failed to capture.

Donald said nothing, and ate his lunch at some remove.

When evening came, he deposited his fishless clients on

THE MACALLAN. THE MALT.

while his cargo of two London businessmen caught nothing.

As lunchtime neared. Donald began to

But the iron bad entered his soul.

unruffled stretch of water.

And rowed off into the gloaming.

look forward to the lustrous .

for a deserving ghillie.

sherry-gold depths of

the bottle of The Macallan

Malt Whisky which was

the customary reward

Trinity College

Royal engagements Latest appointments Mr J. S. Whitehead to succeed Mr D. M. Day as Deputy Under-Sec-retary of State (Chief Clerk), Foreign and Commonwealth Office, from

The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will open the new terminal at Birmingham Airport and will visit the Expo '84 Exhibition at the National Exhibition Centre on May 30. Public Works Loan Commissioner. in succession to Mr E. G. Hopper, Mr Registrar Enzer to transfer from

The Prince and Princess of Wales will visit Cheshire on May 30. The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Member of the Smeatonian Society of Civil Engineers, will attend a meeting of the society at the Institution of Civil Engineers on

The Prince of Wales will attend : dinner given by the Royal Institute of British Architects at Hampton Court Palace on May 30.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Fellow of the Zoological Society of London, will introduce the scientific session of the symposium, Advances in Animal Conservation, at the society's meeting rooms. the society's meeting Regent's Park, on May 31.

Latest wills

Mrs Sarah Judith Gifford-King, of Swalcliffe, Banbury, Oxfordshire, left estate valued at £302,424 net. She left £100.000 equally between the RSPCA, NSPCC, Parkinson's Disease Society and Nuffield Nursing Homes Trust.

Mr Alfred Charles Cuthbort Parker, of Sevenoaks, Kent. left estate valued at £711,769 net. after personal bequests he left the residue to benefit the Ranyard Memorial Charleshle Tage.

to benefit the State Charitable Trust.
Charitable Trust.
Millis, Mr Charles Howard
Goulden, of Merton, London,
director of Baring

Brothers & Company, merchant bankers, left estate valued a £580,904 net. Rieden. Miss Elizabeth Barbara Emily, of Bicester, Oxfordshire, left estate valued at £1,555.639 net.

Receptions

Royal Society
The President and Council of the
Royal Society entertained fellows and guests at a conversazione heki yesterday at 6 Carlton House

YOCAL. Sir Sigmund Sternberg. President of VOCAL (Voluntary Organizations Communication and Language). Communication and Languages, and Vice-President of the College of and vice-frement of the College of Speech Therapists, was host at a reception held yesterday at St. Ermin's Hotel. The Earl of Halsbury, president of the college, and Mrs. Mary La Frenais, Chairman of VOCAL, were among these present. those present.

Coningsby Club The Coningsby Club held a reception for members of HM Government and the Coningsby Club at the House of Commons yesterday evening.

Dinners

Chief Constables' Club Chief Constables' Club
The annual dinner of the Chief
Constables' Club was held yesterday
at the Savoy Hotel. Sir John
Hermon, Chief Constable of the
Royal Ulster Constabulary, presided
and Mr Leon Brittan, QC, Secretary
of State for the Home Department,
was the super of homour. was the guest of honour.

The Tallow Chandlers' Company entertained Alderman Sir Peter Gadsden, the Senior Alderman representing the Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs, at a livery dinner at their hall last night. The Master, Mr F. Leslie Living, presided and Sir

Cystic fibrosis is an inherited

lung-damaging disease in

which parents who are symp-

tomless carriers stand a one-

in-four risk of producing a

child with the disease and a

life expectancy of just 20

years. Each year, some 350

such children are born in

However, in a significant

advance announced from Edin-

burgh University, a test has been developed which, when

taken at around 16 to 18

weeks' pregnancy, can provide either a 90 per cent reliable

indication that the unborn

child is free of the disease, or a

99 per cent certain indicator of

The test is of direct

Britain,

the opposite.

Peter Gadsden and Lieutenant-Colonel T. A. Donnelly also spoke. Other guests included Sir William Harris, Sir Jocelyn Bodilly, the Master and Clerk of the Grocers' Company and Mr L. R. Price.

Lincola's Inn The Treasurer of Lincoln's lan, Judge Argyle, QC, entertained the following guests at a Grand Day dinner held last night in half:

The Ambamador of Findard, the F-Commissioner for Australia, the Bashon Southwell, the Bishop of Nortinght Baroness Trampington, Lord Jus Acknor, St Dudley Forwood, Sir Ast Porsoniby, Admiral Sir David William General Sir Patrick Howard-Dobson.

Scriveners' Company
A dinner for the livery of the
Scriveners' Company was held at
Apothecaries' Hall last night. The
Master, Mr R. A. D. Urquhart,
presided, assisted by the Upper
Warden, Mr N. R. R. Smith, and the Renter Warden, Mr J. P. B. Brooke-Little, Mr John Owen, QC. Dean of the Arches Court of Canterbury, and Mr Justice Leonard also spoke.

Institution of Structural Engineers The Institution of Structural Engineers held their anniversary year dinner at Guildhall last night. The principal guest. Lord Flowers.
Rector of Imperial College of
Science and Technology, proposed
the toast to the institution to which the president. Dr R. E. Rowe, responded. Mr Alastair Paterson. president-elect, and Mr Bryan

relevance only to those parents who have had a child with

cystic fibrosis because, until

now, no effective carrier test

has existed and it has not been

possible to predict with any

great accuracy how many people carry the delective cystic fibrosis gene. Estimates

vary between 1 in 15, and 1 in

25 of European populations.

But a test that can be generally

applied may be available

The new test applied during

egnancy has been developed

by Dr David Brock, director of

the human genetics unit at the

university. It is a relatively

simply enzyme identification

test based on an amniotic fluid

sample and which provides an

indicaton within 24 hours. It

within a year or two.

Science report

Test to identify cystic fibrosis in foetus

Police prowess: A Merseyside mounted policeman demonstrating the art of pegging at the Windsor Horse Show, which opened yesterday (Photograph: Norman Lomax, report page 27).

Mr R. V. Friend and Miss K. M. Pennington The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr H. V.

between Robert, son of Mr rt. v. Friend, of Potters Bar. Hernfordshire, and Kathryn, daulgner of Mr and Mrs R. F. Pennington, of Johannesburg, South Africa. Mr M. J. Baynham and Miss F. M. Dovey The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Captain and Mrs B. Baynham, of Auchterarder, Perthshire and Fane, elder daughter of the Hon Mr Justice Dovey and Mrs Dovey, of Sydney, Australia. Mr M. J. Higgins and Miss S. M. Staddon The engagement is announced between Martin James, youngest

Major N. C. I. Rosier and Miss K. R. Johnson

Forthcoming

marriages

and Miss K. R. Johnson
The engagement is announced between Nicholas Rosier, Royal Army Medical Corps, son of Sir Frederick and Lady Rosier, of Ty Haul, Llangollen, and Kate Richeldis, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Johnson, of Cornwall Laure Laure Longeloft. House, Lowestoft.

Mr G. I. Appleby and Miss C. A. McArthur

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey lan, son of Mr and Mrs K. C. Appleby, of Dringhouses, York, and Catrina Anne, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs B. S. McArthur, of Kippax

Mr R. L. Clarke annd Miss J. A. Orbell

The engagement is announced between Raymond, younger son of Mr and Mrs L. R. Clarke, of Harlestone, Northamptonshire, and Judith eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Orbell, of Burt St

Captain P. M. Daniel, RE.

St Asaph, Clwyd. Mr H. G. Pearson between Mark, elder son of Mr and Mrs Philip Daniel, of Emoyeni, West Runton, Norfolk, and Chris-tine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs The engagement is announced between Howard, son of Mr and Mrs K. Pearson, of Bromley, Kent, and Davina, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. V. Jackson, of Walberswick. Gerhard Storch, of Shalimar, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire,

Service dinners

Harley Street, London.

and Miss F. J. Vates, QARANC

55 A. U. JAC

Honourable Artillery Company Active officers of the Honourable Artillery Company dined at Armoury House last night. General Sir Victor FitzGeorge Ballour was in the chair. The guest of honour was General Sir Richard Trant and Licutenant-General J. B. Akehurst, General Sir Roland Guy, Major-General J. A. C. G. Eyre and Major-General B. L. G. Kenny were also

Headquarters RAF Support Com-Air Vice-Marshal T. P. White, Air

Officer Commanding Maintenance Units and members of Brampton Park Officers' Mess held a dinner vesterday. The principal guests were Air Marshal Sir Eric Dunn, Chief Engineer. RAF. Group Captain R. F. Saunders. Officer Commanding Joint Air Reconnaissance Intelli-gence Centre, and Mr D. N. McCallum, Chief Fire Officer for

Liverpool University Air Squadron Liverpool University Air Squadron held its annual dinner at the Officers' Mess, Altear, yesterday Officers' Mess, Altear, yesterday evening. The guest of honour was Air Marshal Sir Michael Knight. Air Member for Supply and Organization, and the principal guests were Professor D. H. Jennings, Pro-Vico-Chancellor of Liverpool University, and Air Vice-Marshal R. C. F. Peirse, Air Officer Commanding and Commandant RAF College Cranwell, Squadron Leader R. M. Moody presided.

therefore enables parents to

consider termination, in cases

where the foetus is likely to be

Referrals of amniotic fluid

samples from pregnant moth-

ers who have had a child with

cystic fibrosis are coming to

the unit from Britain and

Europe and almost 70 have

Dr Brock is particularly

auxious to hear from mothers

who are in the early stages of

pregnancy and who already have a child with cystic

fibrosis, both doubly to check

the efficiency of the test, and

to provide families with the

guidance on the likelihood of

their next child being affected

which, according to results to

been tested.

Meeting

Luncheon Commonwealth

Parliamentary

Arsociation

Sir Peter Mills, MP, (deputy chairman), was host at a luncheon given yesterday at the House of Commons by the Executive Committee of the UK Branch of the Commonwealth

Arsociation

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Service luncheon

TA & VRA

Royal Asiatic Society
The Royal Asiatic Society of Great
Britain and Ireland held its
anniversary meeting at 56 Queen
Anne Street, yesterday, Dr D. J.
Duncanson, president, was in the

Royal Academy of Arts

The following elections took place at the General Assembly of Royal Academicians this week: Keeper of the Royal Academy Schools: Mr Edward Middledisch from October 1985) in succession to Mr Peter Greenham.

Members of the Royal Academy: Mr Richard Rogers, Mr Paul Hogarth, Mr William Scott, Mr Jeffery Camp.

Associate, members of the Royal

Associate members of the Royal Academy: Mr R. B. Kitaj and Mr Tom Phillips.

nd Miss C. Craton

Mr M. Preston

and Miss C. Craton
The engagement is announced between Martin Jeffrey, son of Mr and Mrs Gordon Preston, of Rayleigh, Essex, and Caroline Beverley, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David M. Craton, of Maidenhead, Berkshire.

Mr M. Sutton and Miss S. M. M. Aitken son of Mr and Mrs D. J. Higgins, of High Laver, Essex, and Sussan Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. C. H. Staddon, of Buckhurst Hill, The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of James and Margaret Sution, of St John's Wood. London, and Susie, elder daughter of Ian and Catherine Aitken of Highgate, London. Mr M. R. Hodgson and Miss L. P. Bloom The engagement is announced between Martin, son of Mr and Mrs Bishout Madern of Wimbledon

Mr B, C. Took
and Miss M. P. Cook
The engagement is announced
between Barry, elder son of Mr B.
Took, of St John's Wood, and Mrs
D. Took, of Enfield, and Michele, Richard Hodgson, of Wimbledon, London, and Lynne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Rodney Bloom, of Chicago, Illinois, United States. younger daughter of Mr And Mrs P. Cook, of Erdington, West Midlands. and Miss J. A. Fermont
The engagement is announced
between Roderick, elder son of Dr

and Mrs E. Jones, of Chelwood, Avon, and Josephine, only daughter of Dr and Mrs D. A. Fermoni, of Mr M. Woloshya and Miss P. M. A. Ravenshear The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr Ivan woloshyn, of Rosemary Avenue, London, N3, and the late Mrs M. Woloshyn, and Petronella Mary, Atalanta, daughter of Mr Peter Ravenshear, of Bucklesham Hall, Suffolk, and Mrs George Teeling, Smith of Lamont Road, London, SW10. The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G. M. S. Lambert, of Kenley, Surrey, and Frances, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Yates, of

Marriage

Mr J. W. H. Llewelyn and Miss D. M. Hallinan

The marriage took place on Thursday, May 10, 1984, at Hereford, between Mr John Liewelyn



Princess in Dockland: Princess Anne touring the headquarters of Northern and Shell, magazine publishers, at the Isle of Dogs, London, yesterday after officially opening the building.

date, the new test brings.

The test, as it is now and

followed by a wider screening

application once its final validity is established and the

technique is made more generally available, should

have the result of reducing the

number of children in coming

generations who have to cope

with such a terrible disease"

The symptoms include

severe digestive disorders, but

children are prone to lung infections which are difficult to

remove with antibiotics. They

tend to develop lung damage

as a result of these repeated

infections, and the gradual

loss of hung function is the

most life-threatening aspect of

says Dr Brock.

OBITUARY

PROFT. W. THACKER School of Oriental Studies at Durham

Association in honour of the commonwealth parliamentarians commonwealth parliamentarians attending the 1984 May parliamentary visit at Westminster. Colonel G. S. P. Carden, Chairman of the Greater London Territorial Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve

Born on November 6, 1911

Association, entertained at lunch-eon at the Duke of York's Headquarters yesterday guests from the London Borough of Croydon. and brought up in Adderbury, he attended the City of Oxford School and went on to study at the London Borough of Croydon, including Mr Bernard Weatherill. Speaker of the House of Commons, the Mayor of Croydon, the Deputy Leader of the Council, and commanding officers of Croydon based territorial army units. Oxford, joining St. Catherine's Society, and then in Berlin (at that time the mecca of young Egyptologists) where he also acquired an excellent know-ledge of German as well as a love of German wines. His first teaching appointment was at Bangor, but a year later, in 1938, he became Reader in Hebrew in the Department of Theology at Durham: with the coming of war he served in a branch of the Foreign Office. returning to Durham in 1945 as Professor of Hebrew and Orien-tal Languages, a title he held until 1951.

Already at this stage he planned to develop the teaching of Oriental studies at Durham, and with the support of the and with the support of the Scarbrough Commission was able in 1948 to form a separate department. In 1951 this be-came the School of Oriental Studies, and Thacker its first Director as Professor of Semitic Philology.

Over the next decade he expanded the school in many directions, extending its aca-demic activities, building up a substantial library, and acquiring the nucleus of a museum son.

Professor Thomas William collection. In 1955 the school Thacker, who died on St. George's day, April 23 was the "onlie begetter" of the school of Oriental Studies at Durham, and its Director from 1951 until 1977.

Collection. In 1990 the school was installed in its present premises, and in 1960 the Oriental Museum was opened, so that, by the time he retired, his vision was a reality, and Durham a centre of Oriental Tradition of Oriental Studies at the school was installed in its present premises, and in 1960 the school of Oriental Museum was opened. studies - a tribute both to the range of his sympathies and to his quiet effectiveness as an

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Thacker's concern for the school and for Oriental studies at large left him with little time for scholarly work, and his publications give but an inkling of the depth of his learning and his remarkable command of languages - he thought nothing of tackling Sanskrit in his retirement. His major work was The Relationship of the Semuic and Egyptian Verbal Systems (1954), but there were also significant contributions in journals and works of refer-

A painstaking teacher, he encouraged many a younger-scholar, instilling in each the accuracy that characterised his own work - of whatever kind Although he was shy and retiring his circle of friends included "all sorts and conditions of men", and the conviviality of that most English of institutions the pub was a part of his life. For many years in Eisendstadt in the Burgenland was a second home during the

an honorary citizen.
He is survived by his wife Katherine Hawthorn, whom he married in 1939, and by their

MR JOHN CHANCELLOR

A correspondent writes: One of the best and most successful of the modern generation of marine artists, John Chancellor died suddenly at his home in Brixham on April 9, aged 59. As a small boy it was evident that he had a considerable talent for drawing, but from the same age this was overshadowed by a passion for the sea. Chancellor left Wycliffe College to join the Merchant Navy as an apprentice in 1942. During the war he twice emerged unscathed when successive ships in which he was serving were torpedoed.

After nearly 30 years at sea, tugs, sailing barges, coasters and his own survey vessel. Chancel-lor swallowed the anchor to concentrate on painting. He had periodically acted as a freelance. illustrator and had latterly accepted commissions in oils.

He was an instant success, his first exhibition in 1973 being Rita, a son and three daughters.

was followed by a second, with similar results, in 1976, as was his first exhibition in watercolours in 1981. At the time of his death a book illustrating his work was about to go to print.

sold out within an hour. This

Chancellor's philosophy of painting centred on truth and accuracy of detail, and these are present in all his works, whether they are the bistorical recon-structions arrived at only after. weeks of research, or studies. from his own experience.

He was gentle by nature, a man of considerable humour and sensitivity who always had with 20 years in command of an air of amused disbelief in his own success as a painter. The loss of his remarkable talent will be felt by people spread across the globe; the warmth of his personality will be greatly missed by his many friends and above all by his family.

He is survived by his wife,

MISS E. VIRGINIA WILLIAMS

on May 8, aged 70. Ellen Virginia Williams was born in Melrose, Massachusetts. After studying ballet, she danced in operas but made hercareer mainly as a ballet teacher of distinction: In 1958 she formed the New England Ballet. an amateur company, with

dancers from her school. From the start it attracted favourable attention each year at regional ballet festivals, and George Balanchine recom-mended that Miss Williams should be one of the recipients of grants made by the Ford Foundation in 1963 to establish professional companies in various parts of the United States.

The resulting Boston Ballet gave its first season in 1964 and has maintained a high repu-tation ever since. Balanchine gave the company several of his ballets, but they presented a varied repertory including the Russian classics and modern

Dr James Purdon Martin, FRCP, Consulting Physician to the National Hospital for Nervous Diseases in Queen Square, London, died on May 7 at that hospital with which he was associated for more than 60 years. He was 90. Martin also held several

other neurological appoint-ments during his career, and published papers on nervous diseases. Professor David Williams, who died on May 8 at the age of

85, was Professor of Mining

Geology at Imperial College, London, from 1950 to 1966, and after that Professor Emeri-Mr Shigeo Nagano, president for several years of Nippon Steel Corporation, and a leading

figure in Japanese business who was president of the Japan Chamber of Commerce for 15 years, died in Tokyo on May 4 at the age of 83.

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Miss E. Virginia Williams, dance productions. Agnes de founder of the Boston Ballet, died in Boston, Massachusetts, Falco and Paul Taras were among the choreographers who created ballets for the company.

In 1980, Miss Williams invited Violette Verdy to join the company, initially as joint director, and then to succeed her as director, but Virginia Williams remained as artistic adviser. In 1982 and 1983 the Boston Ballet appeared in London during Nureyev's summer seasons, presenting

Swan Lake and Don Quixote. Miss Williams remained active until the end and was involved in the planning of a new Romeo and Juliet to be. premiered in Boston this month. Unknown to her, the choreographer, Choo San Goh, had already arranged to dedi-cate the production to her as a commemoration of a lifetime's service to the art she loved.

husband, Herbert Hobbs, 2 husband, Market and a daughter.

Mr John Charles Wade OBE, who died on May 7 at the age of 76. was Lord Lieutenant of Cumbria from 1974 to 1983 and earlier of the County o Cumberland from 1968 to 1974 He had been general manager of West Cumberland Farmers Ltd from 1931 to 1964, and later became managing director in 1964 and president in 1970.

Mr David Symington, CSI, CTE, who died on April 3 at the age of 79, was a former member of the Indian Civil Service who served as Municipal Commissioner in Bombay and, from 1943 to 1947, as Secretary to the Governor of Bombay. In 1968. as James Halliday, he published A Special India.

Lady Buchanan, wife of ofessor Sir Colin Buchanan. the architect and town-planner died on May 8. She was the former Elsie Alice Mitchell, and they were married in 1933. Box M. Bramley-Moore. Scientifichasse of Littledean, diocese of Glocester, to respe

Church news

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

First mayday calls reach the equity market

indicated here, yesterday, it is hard to see why they should not. Can an already high equity market hold its ground, let alone capture more in the face of rising fixedinterest yealds? It would be prudent to prepare for a fall in the market, perhaps by as much as 150 points in the FT 30 share

What effect would tacky gilt-edged prices and softening ordinary share prices have on the Government's funding and privatization programmes? They would make the former more difficult and throw a long shadow over the British Telecom issue. Even in the most enthusiastic market, because of its size and novel quality, Telecom would be a formidable trial for sponsoring underwriters and investors alike.

Finally, will these chilly winds from the financial market blow the economic recovery and Mrs Thatcher's strategy off course? It is too soon to say, save to note that a weak pound and the rising cost of credit have an unwanted bearing on the future rate of inflation. Reflecting such thoughs, index-linked gilt-edged stocks are back in vogue, moving up three-eights vesterday.

The gilt-edged market as a whole yesterday recovered some of its poise, whole equities, aware of the imminent close of the current Stock Exchange account, looked both weary and wary. The Bank of England raised its dealing rates (in band four) by half a point to 8%, but this is still around a point below three and six months interbank rates. The new tap stock, 91/% Treasury Convertible, at 481/16 is stranded 1% below its issue price. If the Government Broker is to sell stock before the end of the banking month on: Wednesday, then he will presumably lower the price.

The US bond market is fractured by even greater uncertainty. Wednesday's ten-year auction went badly and the result of the 30-year auction is awaited with some trepidation. Both British and US Governments currently face the same problem: raising money. If yesterday's rumours about the deep water into which one of the US banks has fallen (or ratherfallen further) are true, then the storm cones would turn into mayday signals.

Meanwhile Dr Henry Kautman of Salomon Brothers, was reiterating his forecast that interest rates are limitely to fall this year, and will probably rise again next year. Speaking in London to an investment seminar for fund managers he repeated his argument that the only scipline in financial markets at the moment is interest rates. Unless, therefore, the United States government acted to cut its budget deficit, interest rates would have to rise further.

Dr Kaufman's presence in London was part of Salomon's pitch to sell its fixed rate services to managers of multi-currency funds. The firm makes no bones about its ambition to become the world's biggest force in research and trading in fixed interest stocks. To that end it has embarked upon an elaborate research

The Times 1984 Budget briefing

NEWS IN BRIEF

Shell raises

stake in

US offshoot

billion (nearly £4 billion) bid for

the 30.5 per cent of its American arm it does not

already own has been accepted

by shareholders representing

more than 64 million shares.

The bid, which has run into

fierce opposition from some

shareholders of Shell Oil Co has

been extended to May 23. Royal

Dutch, which was forced to

increase its offer from \$55 a share to \$58, says it will not buy

any shares at above \$58 for 18

DEBENHAMS is set to

show that the department store

business can survive in the 21st

century but much more as a

financial services conglomerate

on the lines of Sears Roebuck in

the US. Profits last year were up from £19.6m to £32.7m, with a big boost from the Welbeck Finance credit business. The

company is now gearing up to use Welbeck's strenght to start a

new range of financial and

property services. It hopes to sign the deal with Harris

Queensway withing two

Ward White, the footwear retailing group, has increased pretax profits for the year 10

January 1984 to £8.8m from

£5.3m. Turnover went up from £136.2m to £179.4m. The final

dividend of 3.39p makes 4.93p

for the year against 4.48p last

months.

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The briefing will take place at the Dorchester Hotel on May 22, with myself as chairman. The principal speaker is Mr John Moore, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who will explain the strategic thinking behind the Chancellor's radical tax reforms. Information may be obtained and bookings made by telephoning 01-405 3501 (24 hours).

Are interest rates likely to go higher? As I programme designed to identify for fund managers the best opportunities in bond

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The research will cover the US dollar, the yen, the Deutschemark, the Canadian dollar, among others. Salomon is treading carefully before selling its gilts services in London. While the City is in the throes of reorganization, this may be wise.

Pensions untouched for the time being

Takeovers aside, the rumour that the Chancellor was about to stand up and insert a new clause in the Finance Bill to remove tax relief for lump-sum pension payments has caused more widespread and instant panic among respectable folk in the City than almost any other in recent years. insurance companies were preparing to keep staff until midnight to beat the deadline. The Times has investigated this romour more than once and found nothing in it. Without pointing any fingers, it must be said that some accountants and insurance companies seem to have made a lot of money from panic deals by

Mr Peter Rees, the Chief Secretary. finally scotched the immediate rumour in the Commons yesterday. It would, have been preposterous for the Treasury and the Inland Revenue to have hurried forward such a drastic and far-reaching proposal when Mr Norman Fowler at the Department of Health and Social Security is in the middle of weighing all the evidence given to his broad pensions inquiry. But as MPs and insurance men were pointing out yesterday, this does not mean the end of the matter. A change is a runner for next year's Budget.
Mr Fowler's Green Paper on personal

portable pensions (PPP), the first product of the pensions inquiry, is likely to be published next month. It will be a cautious document, bowing to the weight of evidence from the pensions lobby and the trade unions. It may offer the pensions only as an add-on for those committed to company pension schemes a timid step that would add little to consumer choice.

However, any extension of the present

self-employed pension arrangements to employees would give the opportunity to

question tax relief.

The possibility of commuting pension rights into a fax-free lump sum softens this harsh regime. It is the annuity element rather than the cash element of pensions that we should be questioning.

Breaking into

Some major institutions are now thinking in terms of forming their own broking houses with poached staff and new technology. This is looking the superior alternative to buying interests in existing firms, whose technology is not so new, at a premium. A precedent was set by America's Prudential-Bache Corporation which formed a London broking firm with staff lured from James Capel.

Stock Exchange rules allow personal but not corporate membership but in the Stock Exchange Council's discussion document, corporate membership is a question of when rather than if. This prospect may be very much in the mind of Lloyds Bank, the only clearer not yet to have formed a broking partnership. The bank remains tight-lipped about reports that it is exploring this avenue, talking to dynamic partners of some not-so-dynamic firms. Lloyds would say only that it is exploring "all ayenues for expansion".

Discount house and merchant bank join City shake-up

· Two of the City's most respected houses. Baring Brothers and Gerrard and National yesterday revealed separate plans for each to take part in the revolution in financial services. Gerrard and National, poss-

ibly the City's largest discount house, plans an aggressive three into gilt-edged jobbing, as well as a series of international moves, to benefit from the changing structure of London's financial institutions, the group vesterday announcing its annual results.

Mr Roger Gibbs, the chair-

man of Gerrard, which earlier this year was linked with a mystery suitor in abortive bid talks, said yesterday: "It would be logical to extend our marketmaking activities beyond the area of short assets into the full spectrum of gilt-edged. This we intend to do, and over the next

for this purpose. Gerrard's moves come some weeks after Clive Discount announced a rather more modest sortie into gilt-edged jobbing which may involve

Stock Exchange membership. The group, which denied that it is currently discussing merger business, is keen to expand existing trading connexions with both the US and Japan.

It is possible that the group is hoping to develop into a fully fledged international dealing operation in the medium term, expanding by acquisitions and by organic growth.

Profits for the year to April 5.

1984, fell from £14m to £10m.

The Tokyo office at present

The group has also transferred more than £5m from hidden reserves to cover adjustments in the Gerrard leasing business, arising from the Chancellor's recent legislation. Since the year

Sir Michael Herries, pictured outside the Royal Bank's Edinburgh headquarters: "Further tax provision needed"

£56m interim profit

for Royal Bank

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

Bank are now likely to reach a

rapid deal over their sharehold-

ing dispute as a result of a series

of unexpected blows to their

jointly owned finance company

Its profits for the six months

to March, previously on a rising trend, have fallen from £11.7m

to £3m parity as a result of

continuing bad and doubtful

debt provisions. More seriously,

Lloyds and Scottish has been obliged to write off £78.4m.

some 30 per cent of its capital.

to provide more for deferred

taxation for leasing operations

in the wake of the Chancellor's

moves to phase out capital allowances. The little-traded Lloyds and Scottish shares fell

Lloyds increased its stake in the Royal Bank of Scotland

from 16 to 21 per cent last year

as part of its continuing plans to buy the Royal Bank's 39 per

cent stake in Lloyds and Scottish. The Department of

Trade has until mid-June to

decide whether to refer this to

Negotiations over the future

of Lloyds and Scottish have so

far foundered over the price

But the twin setbacks to the

finance company are likely to have made the Royal Bank

the Monopolies Commission.

10p to 130p yesterday.

Lloyds and Scottish.

The Royal Bank and Lloyds more flexible and anxious to

negotiate a swift deal that will

involve Lloyds making a bid for the whole of Lloyds and Scottish and financing the deal

by selling some and possibly all

of Scotland itself has turned in a

sparkling performance in the six

months to March with pretax

profits up from £31.2m to

£56.8m and an interim divi-

Although the first half of the

previous year was particularly poor, the Royal Bank has

achieved an increase in its gross

interest margins from 3.2 to 3.5

business, increasing its assets by

14 per cent and its net interest

income by 17 per cent, despite

doubtful debts is also down

from £24m to £17m, reflecting a

relatively early recovery in the

the full year to September are

expected to rise from £95.5m to

However, the Royal Bank

will have to make an estimated

£90m provision for deferred

taxation on the same principles as the big four clearing banks.

about £120m.

Scottish economy. Profits for

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problems in its dollar business.

dend lifted from 3p to 3.3p.

Meanwhile, the Royal Bank

its shares in the Royal Bank.

year we will be building a team cnd, the group has sold its giltedged book and scaled down both the size and length of its total portfolio.

Baring Brothers & Co... London's oldest merchant bank, yesterday made a tentative move into the City's changing structure by buying the Far-East business of the stockbrokers Henderson Crosthwaite, for an undisclosed sum.

The agreement is subject to clearance by the regulatory authorities, particularly the Ministry of Finance in Japan, because Baring wants to change Henderson's representative office into a full branch office able

The Tokyo office at present supplies only information and research, but a branch office would enable Baring to deal at cheaper commissions and begin moving into the Japanese equity and bond markets.

Reuters

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trustees

By Philip Robinson

Mr John Dare, the Baring executive dealing with the agreement, admitted that as the new company would be incor-porated in London, a logical extension to its business would be an application for corporate membership of the London Stock Exchange, when the new rules permit.

Henderson's senior partner. Mr Andrew Barlow, said the decision to sell the Hongkong partnership - the whole team will move to Baring - arose partly as a result of increasing competition in London, parlicularly after the link between Vickers da Costa and Citicorp and the expansion of Rowe and

• Morgan Grenfell, the mer-chant bank, has announced the formation of a Hongkong subsidiary, providing financial advisory services from June.

Sterling touches \$1.3750

The trustees responsible for keeping Reuters independent when the news and business information agency goes public next month were named

The four new trustees are Mr John Freeman, former chairman of London Weekend Television and a former Briish Ambassador in Washington; Professor Lord McGregor of Durris, chalrman of the Advertising Standards Authority and a former chalr-

man of the Royal Commission on the Press; Mr Kenneth Morgan, director of the Press Council and former General secretary of the National Union of Journalists and Mr Kingman Brewster, a former US Ambassador to Britain and former president of Yale University.

Of the remaining ten trus-tees, from the Press Association are: Mr Stanley Clarke, chairman and managing direc-tor of the International Thom-son Organisation, Mr Gordon Linacre, deputy chairman and chief executive of United Newspapers, and Mr Jack Wallwork, a director of the Daily Mail and General Trust.

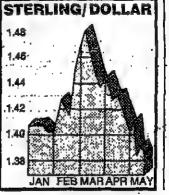
From the Newspaper Pub-Lord lishers" Association: Hartwell, chairman and editorin-chief of the Daily Telegraph, Lord Matthews, chairman of Newspapers, Mr Clive Thornton, chairman of Mirror Group Newspapers and Viscount Rothermere, chairman of Associated Newspapers.

By William Kay, City Editor

The pound hit yet another low against the dollar yesterday, tumbling 1½ cents to \$1.3750. But by the close of trading in London, it recovered to \$1.3850, thanks to intervention by European central banks and late nervousness concerning reported difficulties at Continental Illinois Bank.

In the House, the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, said at Treasury question time that there were "signs of a welcome change in the attitude of the US administration towards their deficit.". Nevertheless, he said, the US deficit would be on the agenda at the economic summit London next month. Mr Lawson added: "The rise

in US interest rates is unwelcome, but it is not a bitter blow. There will always be fluctuations, particularly with what is happening in America. We cannot be wholly immune to what is happening to interest rates in the United States."



Ultramar price fall

The shares of Ultramar dropped by 38p to 609p yesterday despite a 24 per cent rise in first-quarter pretax profits to £59.3m on turnover up

85 per cent at £784.3m. Ultramar has confirmed that 1983's total dividend will rise by 2p to 17p and that a one-for-one scrip issue will be made.

However, interest payments jumped from £4m to £17.5m and the company says that marketing and refining divisions in eastern Canada and California were still disappointing. Strong competition, particularly in castern Canada, sometimes drove petrol prices well below the cost of crude oil.

STOCK EXCHANGES FT-SE 100 Index:1094.4 down 15.5

FT Index: 884.9 down 11.3 FT Gits: 80.13 down 0.35 FT All Share: 517.16 down 7.70 F7 All Share: 517.16 down 7.70
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Index: 116.91 down 1.63
New York: Dow Jones Average:
(latest) 1167.61 up 2.09
Tokyo: Nikkel Dow Jones Index
10,879.71 down 180.58
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index
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INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Bank base rates 9.9 /4 Discount market loans weak fixed 3 month Interbank 9% - 91/2

Euro-currency rates: 3 month dollar 11% - 11% 3 month DM 6% - 6 3 month Fr F12% -12% US rates

Bank prime rate 12.50 Fed funds 11 Treasury long bond 9021/32 - 9073/32 ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period April 4 to May 1, 1983 inclusive: 8.934 per cent.

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am \$370.10 pm \$371.75 close \$373.50 - 374 (£270-270.50) Krugerrand* (per coin): \$385-386.50 (£278.25-279.25)

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

Interim Results

Extracts from the unaudited Profit and Loss Account	6 months to 31.3.84	6 months to 31.3.83	12 months to 30.9.83	
Profit before taxation	£56.8m	£31.2m	£95.5m	
Profit atter taxation	£36.8m	£22.0m	£80.6m	
Profit before extraordinary Items attributable				
to ordinary shareholders	£35.4m	£21.6m	£95.1 m	
Earnings per 25p ordinary share				
before exceptional items	15.1p	9.60	35.4p	
after exceptional items	16.1p	9.6p	42.1p	
Dividend per 25p ordinary share	3.3p	3.0p	7.4p	

extraordinary items arising from evants in the 6 months ended 31 March 1984 were £1.7m credit (6 months ended March 1983 — nil, 12 months ended 30 September 1983 — £1.8m charge). The deterred taxation arising from proposed changes to rates of corporation tax and taxation allowances on capital expenditure required in a cases of the 30 September 1983 provision will be dealt within the full year's accounts for 1894 and is expected to be of the order of 1990s. An additional provision in respect of tax variable leases will also be made. Extract from Interim Statement by the Chairman, Sir Michael Herries

The unaudited profit before taxation for the six months ended 31 March 1984

amounted to £56.8 million, an increase of £25.6 million over the corresponding During the six months ended 31 March 1984 the principal factors contributing

to the increase were higher net interest earnings, improved commission and fee income and a reduction in the bad and doubtful debt charge, continuing the trend seen in the second half of last year. Whilst income has been rising, expenses have been contained and were only 4 per cent, higher than for the same period last year.

The improved results have been achieved despite a fall in base rate from an average of 10.2 per cent, for the first half of last year to 9 per cent, for the first half of this year. The average margin between base rate and retail deposit rate widehed from 3.2 per cent. to 3.5 per cent. over the comparable periods and this coupled with higher levels of sterling business accounted for most of the increase in net interest

These results reflect to an extent the improving general economic environment in the U.K., which remains patchy and the medium-term outlook is still uncertain. On balance, however, the general economic and financial outlook appears better than it did six months ago and we expect that as we progress towards the merger the underlying improvement in our domestic business will continue.

As a result of the rates of corporation tax and taxation allowances on capital expenditure proposed in the 1984 Finance Bill, taxation deferred by capital allowances mainly on leased assets must now be expected to become payable at the new rates instead of being deferred indefinitely. At the same time, the tax variation clauses in lease agreements will reduce future pre-tax rental income.

The impact of the changes on the deterred taxation already provided at 30 September 1983 will be reflected in the full year's accounts for 1984 by an extraordinary item charge, matched by a transfer from reserves. The additional deferred taxation provision expected to be required is of the order of £90 million. The calculations of the effect of tax variations on lease rentals are complex and a further provision in respect of this will be required.

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Seagram buys 155 off-licences

By Derek Pain

Seagram Co, the world's biggest drinks group, is emerg-ing as a powerful force in Britain's highly competitive officence trade. Yesterday it announced that it was paying £7.5m to Scottish & Newcastle Breweries for its 155 Gough Brothers shops which are mainly in London and the Home Counties.
Last month the Canadian-

based Seagram acquired for

shops. Mr Ivan Straker, the chairman of Seagram, said he was not discussing any further takeovers at the moment. But he added: I beliveve in reported figures of £10.5m

crests, announced interim proconsolidating before launching against just under £9m and a dividend up 7.45 per cent to 1.928p a share. Vaux Breweries.

when other breweries are dend is 3.4p (3.025p).

£3.7m 75 per cent of the 57-outlet Oddbins chain of wine ence. Two regional breweries, each with significant off-licence int-

S & N's decision to sell based at Sunderland, anGough, which it acquired for
£4.2m in 1979, came at a time
when other beautiful against £4.185,000. The divi-

Price rises for UK 'among Europe's lowest'

Survey refutes power protests

Complaints from British industry, particularly the high energy users like steel and chemicals, that their electricity costs are among the highest in Europe receive scant support in Government to bring British the latest world survey conducted by the American-based

National Utility Services. This shows that commercial and industrial power costs in Britain last month varied among the nine electricity boards from 3.45p to 3.6p per kilowatt hour, significantly less than the 3.7p to 4.56p per kilowatt hour charged in West

Germany. Electricité de France charged its business customers 2.95p per kilowatt hour, about 1/2 less than in Britain, but less than to Britain, out Belgian industry is paying 3.76p, the Dutch 3.57p (comparable to the UK) and the Italian 4.44p.

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750,000 business locations, reveals that only four countries of the 12 in the study - Canada.

Belgium, the Netherlands and the US - experienced an annual price increase for industrial users greater than local retail price index rises. Much has been done by the

industrial energy costs more into line with the country's main European competitors, but electricity charges have remained, in industry's view, out of line. Sir Terence Beckett, director-general of the Confedcration of British Industry. commenting a week ago on the miners' strike, said that the seven big electricity-using sectors could be helped by the supply of more competitively produced and therefore

cheaper coal. But the NUS report says that in Britain a "modest 3.5 per cent electricity price increase. entirely due to the British fuel cost adjustment system, was well below the country's 5.2 per cent retail price index rise in the 12 months to April -

"although any increase during a government 'price freeze' is hardly welcome." In Belgium, industrial comsumers have experienced the

third largest price for electricity in the NUS survey - a retail prices increase of 6.9 per cent. During the 12 months. Belgian oil and other feedstock costs fell by 3 per cent. The highest electricity price

increase was in Canada - 10.1 per cent - followed by Ireland with 9.2 per cent. Britain's average increase of 3.5 per cent was beaten only by Germany's 1.5 per cent. French industry paid 6.5 per cent more, the Italians 6.2 per cent more and the Swedes almost 5 per cent

Mr Roger Nicholls, an NUS spokesman, said that stable or lower oil prices had contributed to steadier retail and electricity prices, particularly in countries where oil was a major generation feedstock.

for Royal Insurance

The Huge increase in weather claims was caused by extensive England and Scotland. At the same time Royal continued to suffer from problems in the United States, where there was a significant increase in commercial claims and insurance rates continued to be inad-

£20m loss

The group, which is one of Britain's largest composite Insurers, reported pretax losses of £20.4m compared with pretax profits of £9.2m at the comparable stage last year. This was despite a 5 per cent increase in worldwide premium to £523.4m. Royal's shares fell by 6p to

540p as analysis contemplated the prospect of a downturn in Royal's profits for 1984, com-pared with 1983, and first-quarter figures due next week from other leading insurers, including the troubled Commercial Union Group.

Mr John Howard, chief

general manager, said that after a wide-ranging reappraisal of the US businesses Royal had decided to relocate its US headquarters from New York to the south in 1986. This will save 7 per cent of Royal's control-

Royal Insurance plunged into loss in the first quarter of this year after suffering a £28m increase in weather losses to £45m compared with the same

lable expenses about \$24m in the US. Mr Howard said.

Royal also intends to close unprofitable agencies in the US STOCK MARKET

Fears of US bank crisis hit index

of 29p to another new high of

successfully placed the rump of

£17m rights issue. The remain-

ing 1.8 million shares, 10.9 per

cent were placed with insti-

tutions at 103.87p. Mr David

Wickins, chairman of BCA, said

he planned to use the money to help finance the group's US

Meanwhile, Mr David Wickins associate, Mr Michael

Ashcroft, has increased his

holding in Henlys. Coleman Milue, the luxury car conver-

700,000 shares taking its total

holding to 3.5 million, or 24.98

per cent. Henlys was unmoved

the news at 121p.

Horizon Travel, the package

Transport Executive announced

Leading shares showed wide-

Denials from the Govern-

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unchanged at 107p.

biggest banks, the Continental reported in longs. The only Illinois, was in difficulties sent a improvements were seen in the shudder through Wall Street last index-linked stocks which night and could have serious closed with gains of £16. repercussions on the London stock market when dealings systems information service,

resume this morning.
Reports about the US bank had been circulating for several days. As a result share prices in shares were offered by way of New York lost an early firm start as the price of Continental Illinois slumped S1 to \$1218 - 2 two-day fall of \$1%. Street analysis now fear that Continental Illinois will be forced to cut its dividend in August resulting in renewed weakness in the shares.

A spokesman for the group last night confirmed that its federal funding desk was operating normally, but refused to comment on speculation that the group had applied for bankruptcy proceedings to be initiated. The reports started after two of the group's clients. the Charter Co and Public tender price of 240p and were Services of New Hampshire. 1.9 times oversubscribed. Yesapplied for receivers 10 be terday the shares opened at

The news was badly received in London and was mainly responsible for the FT Index closing at its low for the day. 11.3 down at 884.9, having seen prices attempt a raily after

remain fearful of another rise in could lead to an offer for the on hopes that terms for the sale domestic interest rates owing to the pound's continued weakness on the foreign exchanges, where at one stage it hit another low

This was reflected in gilts

Dealings in Wordplex, the made a good start despite the general depression elsewhere in the market. The 10 million tender at a minimum tender price of 240p and were offered by way of tender at a minimum acquisition. Shares of BCA

Tarmac's decision to form a joint roof tile venture with Amey Roadstone, part of Consolidated Gold Fields, could be bad news for Britain's market leaders. Redland and Marley, Analysis believe the new venture will add 10 per cent to existing market capacity and result in lever margins. The news wiped 9p off Redland at 276p yesterday, and left Marley 11:p lower at 841:p. tour group, slipped 4p to 171p after the Greater Manchester

1.9 times oversubscribed. Yes- it had sold part of its holding terday the shares opened at amounting to 750,000 shares. 313p compared with the strik-ing price of 275p, but profit-taking produced a closing price Transport 10 3.47 million of 306p. A premium of 31p in shares. first time dealings.

Bishopsgate Trust, has received an approach from an unnamed Dealers in London also suitor which, the board says, company being made. Earlier of its Newfoundland interests this week the Equitable Life would be announced shortly. Assurance Society announced it had increased its holding to 2.6 ment that it intended to million shares, or 11 per cent of immediately restrict tax benefits the total. Bishopsgate re- on personal pensions failed to Trust announced it had in-

Fears that one of America's where losses of up to £12 were sponded to the news with a rise offer any relief to the life creased its holding to 9.09 per assurance companies. Among the losers Pearl slumped 13p to

Brokers Rowe & Pitman has 734p.

On the bid front, Donald British Car Auction's recent Macpherson rose 7p to 127p with the new bidder the Finnish chemicals group, Tikkurilan Varitehtaat, wasting little time after announcing its terms before wading into the market place and picking up more

recovered an early fall to close Microvitec, Britain's largest producer of computer terminals, has confirmed us intention of ioining the USM with the offer of 7.3 million shares (26 per cent) at 180p, valuing the entire company at 180p, Offers for sale sion group, has bought an extra are a rare event on the USM these days, but should not prevent the shares opening at a premium in the first-time dealings. At this level the group, which supplies monitors to Sinclair and Acorn, is valued at £48.9m and has already stated it will apply for a full listing next

shares, On Wednesday it brought an extra 700,000 shares Macpherson lifting its total holding to 1.6 million shares, or Investment company, the spread falls, but the picture 8.8 per cent. The Finnish group might have been worse were it has bid 125p a share topping not for a strong rally by Yule Catto's earlier bid of 110p Bowater, up at 309p, after 299p, a share. Dealers are now hoping on hopes that terms for the sale that Yule Catto and Yule that Yule Catto will increase its

> Plan Invest, the unit trust portfolio adviser, which joined the USM recently rose 3p to 73p after the Edinburgh Financial

filters for the US market.

holders.

stock market at 517p a share.

Both agreements must be

approved by Bunzl share-

Mr Ernest Beaumont, the

companies no longer makes any

He said that the agreement

strategic or commercial sense.

cent of the equity,

Equity turnover on May 9, was £237.758m (18,208 bargains). The number of British and Irish stocks traded were 134.4 million. Gilt bargains totalled 3,659.

industrial gases increased in the US, but because of • BORDER & SOUTHERN tightening supply and demand. STOCKHOLDERS TRUST: prices have risen." The US capital spending recovery has Half-year to March 31, 1984, Pretax revenue £2,32m arrived, and BOC should enjoy (£2.58m). Interim payment 1.3p a geared participation. (same). Full year's revenue may be reduced. But board expects The group is already talking about some fairly spectacular

on revenue reserves. OCEANA DEVELO-INVESTMENT TRUST: Year to March 31, 984. Gross revenue £73,000 (£50,000). Dividend 2p (1.82p).

to pay at least same dividends

as last year, drawing if necessary

MINTY: Year to Jan. 28, 1984. Turnover £3.49m (£3.42m). Pretax profit £19.600 (£21,210), Dividend 4p (same),

APPLEYARD GROUP: Appleyard has disposed of its interest in leasehold premises at North Street, Leeds, which have been unoccupied since Sept. 1981. The existing lease has been surrendered and Appleyard has paid £130,000 on the surrender. A two-year lease of property adjoining Appleyard's Roseville Road, Leeds, premises has been taken up at a rental of £40,000 a year, Appleyard will purchase this property, which is used by Appleyard of Leeds, for £440.000 by May 9, 1986.

Bunzl sells US holding

By Andrew Cornelius

Bunzl, the paper and packag- companies were engaged in ing group, yesterday formally cigarette filter manufacture ended its long-standing relation-AFC is now a broadly based

filtration and plastics company which will benefit from buying out the "foreign" Bunzl stake, for Bunzl, it marks the latest in a series of moves to reorganize its business to lessen its dependence on cigarette filter manufacture.

£8.3m proceeds from the share sale will be invested to expand Bunzl's activities. Bunzl expects to be able to invest the funds in business that will earn a significantly higher return on capital employed than that generated by the dividends from the AFC investment which amounted to £357,000

as the US resurgence ripples outwards. Sadly, however, the stock

The key factor in the BOC

trading equation is tucked away in the interim statement

- "not only have volumes on

half last year, oxygen and argon sales are ahead by 30 and 50

metal fabrication industries in

rose in April by some 7 per

On the regional basis, this

more than doubled profits for

BOC's American interests.

while the divisional breakdown

gives a more modest upturn in gas profits, from £56m to

But as BOC stresses in

typically exuberant style, the

capital upturn only started filtering through around the

turn of the year. The whole of the second half should reflect

what sounds like a gathering storm of demand, with prices rising. Add in the sharp

recovery on the carbon graphite side, where nearly all the £7m upswing into profit too

place in the second quarter,

BOC is certainly behaving as

if that figure is a reasonable

is acquisition hungry, borrow-ings are not scheduled to rise.

substantally by the year-end, and annualized capital expen-

diture is running at some

£240m. US gas capacity is to rise by a fifth shortly.

The additional logic behind

the BOC optimism involves

the global spread of activities.

of around 10.

BOC sceptics fear

the rainbow's end

TEMPUS)

market, paralleled by Dr Henry Kaufman's strictures on rates, is already acting as a classic discounting mechanism, per-haps signalling that it could be all over by 1985. On the charts the price relative is ambiguous but slipping. The shares may well be a cheeky sell. gains. Compared with the first per cent respectively, a direct result, according to BOC, of the resurgence in the steel and

Ward White

America. Excess capacity has The emergence of Ward been dropping out, discounts have been absorbed and prices White as a leading force in footwear retailing and distri-bution has been both swift and successful. Four years more than 50 per cent of its operations were at the ailing improvement translates into manufacturing end of the industry. Last year only 9 per cent of trading profit came from manufacturing, with 57 per cent from retail and distribution.

> The transformation has been achieved on the back of some very astute acquisitions, both at home and in the United States, It has 400 outlets in Britain and 193 in the US, including those of its latest investment, a 44.7 per cent stake in Wiener Enterprises, which promises to add another £1m to net after-tax profit in a full year.

and it is hardly surprising that Ward White is looking for a both company and analysts are looking for a record-breaking total of 1,000 outlets in the UK. and could absorb 200 more with virtually no addition to central overheads. With £17m Perhaps BOC may even reach the f160m of profits forecast at the top end of the cash and a more respectable gearing level in the wake of the brokers' range, a figure which becomes £300m-plus after rights issue, it would be in a position to make an acquiadding back excess de-preciation. At 292p, that puts sition of up to £40m to help it reach this target. the group on a prospective p/e

The company has, however, a growing fascination with the US market and its ventures there have proved successful. possibility. No capital raising, moves are planned, the group Nearly 40 per cent of trading profit is now generated ther. Ward White has invested over £33m in US retailing in the last four years and the company's top management is actively involved there in the running of the Wiener investment.

> The share price, up. 1p at 132p, remains remarkably low and the company is wide open

Bigh Low

Theoretically these should improve on the first half's to a takeover bid as i represents such good value. average profits gain of a third, Debenhams

> Debenhams went out of its way vesterday to stress that contrary to City speculation, it had no intention of hiving off its Welbeck Finance credit sol. sidiary. The reasons are twofold - the first spoken, the second merely implicit. Last year Welbeck made 40 per cent of Debenhams profits with a more-than doubled contri-bution of £17m, against £8m This growth is expected to continue and Debenhams sees

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Welbeck as a corneratone of mainstream business the Debenhams wants to benefit from the expected spectacular growth over the next few years rather than let outsiders in. The second implicit reason is defensive. Debenhams is much stronger than it was and the chances of a bid from Mr

Gerald Ronson or anyone else have receded. But should the bid come, Welbeck could play an important role in keeping shareholders loyal. Welbeck's performance has also masked the big upturn in

trading profits from the department stores themselves. Debenhams believes it has found the formula which will allow the department store to survive in the 21st century and no doubt Professor Roland Smith at House of Fraser will be pondering yesterday's figures. The growth in profits is genuine, with property profits substantially down on last year.

The stores have benefited greatly from increased credit sales by offering special deals to credit costomers. About 27 per cent of Debenhams sales are on credit but the long-term aim is to get that figure up to more than 50 per cent, like Seurs Roebick in the US. Such high levels of credit sales give Debenhams greater control over its customers and will steer them towards the finan cial and property services to start on a trial basis in a few stores over the next few

The actual tax ratio is 1922 and the yield is more than 6 per cent with the shares down 5p at 177p. Given the confi-dence of the chairman, Mr Bob Thornton, about profits growth, this does not look expensive.

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MONEY MARKETS

cleared away one uncertainty yesterday when it jacked up its intervention rates by one-half percentage point after Wednesday's base rate rises, moving into line with NatWest and Lloyds.

Some band 4 bills were taken at a rate % per cent above the previous dealing level, reflecting bearish mood of the market.

The authorities first foreest a £150m shortage but raised it to around £250m at midday. The Bank showed its hand at

noon with pruchases of £212m

of bills. Later, a further £54m.

of band 4 bills changed hands at

8% per cent, making the total

assistance £266m. This over provision helped to bring rates crashing off by up to about I per cent at the close.

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FOREIGN **EXCHANGES**

Rising US interest rates and a poor response to a government bond auction overnight in New York yesterday brought a sharp early advance in the dollar. But the currency lost much of its gains by the close as nervous profit-taking developed on reports that a leading bank was in "difficulties".

Intervention by European central banks also brought the

Sterling fell to a record low of 1.3750 before closing ½ cent off at 1,3850 against the dollar. though its international value finished 0.1 better at 80.1 after 79.9 initially. It ended little changed at 3.8425 (3.8450) against the Deutschemark after 3.8515 at one stage.

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ship with the American Filtrona Corporation by selling its 20 per

cent holding in the company to AFC for £8.3m. The corporation was established to manufacture cigarette At the same time. AFC agreed to place its 10 per cent Mr Beaumont said that the holding in Bunzl in the London

Bunzl chairman, said that the cross-holding between the two last year,

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first half at AE

AE, formerly Associated sales growth helped by stronger ingineering, yesterday an trading in both Europe and the counced a dramatic turnround United States. Increased acomprosition in the the half hear to diving by important customers darch 31 which the company like Ford and General Motors ays justifies its fight to female has helped AE both at home and abroad, with continuing year attempt by Guest, Keen & strong sales of the Meiro and lettlefolds.

Pretax profits of £8.2m at the to bolster the workload in nuerim stage compare with Brasam osses of £2.3m at the same is Mr. Collyear says that the tage last year, on sales which group is benefiting from its rew by £12m to £203.7m.

Mr John Collyear, the chair-products and process engineer-

rowth and plans to spend part of a £1.4m extraordinary nestment. The constraint is provision which also included a he availability of plant and £1m provision for deferred naterials, not resources. Mr. taxation and £100,000 for closures.

oliver said.

The improvement in trading the board is recommending was helped by a 20 per cent an interim dividend of 1.75p a increase in exports compared share compared with no paywith the previous year, with the ment last time.

Mr John Collycar, the chairnan, said: The prospects for he year vindicate the views I he year vindicate the views I he year vindicate the views I have seen in the 1983 report fact that it is achieving higher and accounts that AE has a continuing as a continuing as a continuing the process of the 17000 records.

od future as a continuing ployees than the 27,000 people ndependent company.

He said that the group would the costs of fighting the low concentrate on organic takeover bid by CKN were rowth and plans to spend £300,000 and are included as

WALL STREET

Dow rises as bonds fall

closely as the Treasury auctions off 30-year bonds worth \$4.25 billion, to complete its three-day \$1.65 billion second-quarter refunding programme.

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The Dow Jones industrial The bond market skidded prerage was ahead almost 4 again amid speculation that points shortly after the market interest to be paid on the long-opened.

Declines led advances 424 initial because demand for them 390 among the 1.281 issues would be minimal crossing the New York Stock Exhange tape.

Analysts said at the outset that selling was likely to attractive than stocks, said Mr continue

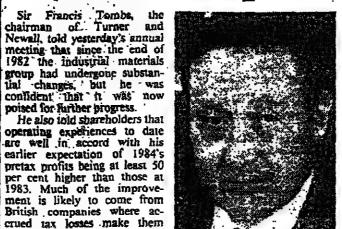
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At the same time, the economy will slow and take the bloom of corporate profits that had been attracting investors into the stock market."



Turner and Newall set

for 50% profit rise

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Sir Francis: confident of further progress

£1.5m (£1,21m), Interim payment 5p (4p).

PORTER

CHADBURN: Year to Jan 6, 1984, Turnover 12.84m (£13.56m), Pretax loss £157,000 (loss £545,000). Dividend 0.35p (same). FAIRLINE BOATS: Fair-

line, builders of inshore and offshore power cruisers, report a 115 per cent jump in pretax profit to £146,000 and a 20 per cent rise in turnover to £2,79m for the half-year to March 31. The interim payment goes up by 50 per cent to 1.12p a share. Mr Sam Newington, chairman, tells shareholders that the balance sheet remains strong and provided Fairline can obtain parts to build boats, he expects a reasonable second

EXPAMET NATIONAL: Expamet has Signfix, makers of patented steel clips, etc. The immediate consideration is £657,000 in cash and shares. HOLDINGS: Half-year to March 31, 1984. Turnover Additional deferred consideration is payable, depending on £5.31m (£4.4m). Pretax profit profits.

• WOODHOUSE & RIXSON (HOLDINGS): Total dividend for 1983 halved to 0.75p a share. Turnover £8.6m (£12.42m). Pretax loss £444,000 £643.000 profits. Trading in the first quarter of 1984 showed a marked improvement on last

two quarters of 1983.

CO-OPERATIVE
RETAIL SERVICES: In their annual report, directors say prospects appear brighter than for some time, Policies formulated in recent years are now being seen to be effective and they are confident of further

progress in current year.

JOHN FOSTER & SON: Year to Mach 2, 1984, Pretax profit £603,000 (£245,000). Furnover £17.02m (£14.7m). Total dividend 2.25p (1.5p).

LINREAD: Mr D. Lynall, chairman, told the annual meeting: "The first annual meeting: "The first quarter of 1984 has shown continuing improvement in our recovery programme. A slightly higher customer demand has helped our progress, but the majority of it is due to improvements in productivity arising from last year's drastic reorganisation. In spite of the significant improvement in our fortunes we clearly still have a very long way to go before reaching what we would con-sider to be an acceptable level of

 MARINE ADVENTURE SAILING TRUST: Half-year to Jan 31, 1984. Pretax profit £47.000 (£41.000).

 VOYAGER PETROLEUM UK: Board reports that negotiations which were expected to lead to the sale of an 80 per cent interest in Voyager and a subsequent offer for the minority shares have been broken off. Accordingly, no sale and no offer are being made.

Interim statement

SKF Group sales rose 11% for the first three months of 1984 compared with the corresponding 1983 period. Profit before exchange differences increased to 244 million kronor (103).

Jan/March 1984 Jan/March 1983

Sales (MSkr)	4,469	4,045
Operating income befor depreciation (MSkr)	e 458	313
Income before exchange differences (MSkr)	e 244	103
Capital expenditure (MS	kr) 94	119
Average number of employees at work	42,920	42,272

All main product groups recorded volume growth but prices continued to develop slowly. The sales revenue, however, increased faster than both cost of goods sold and selling expenses. Inventory turnover was further improved and at the end of the period under review, inventories fell below 40% (annual sales for the first time.

AB SKF, S-415 50 Göteborg, Sweden

especially valuable.

However, the economic situ-

ation in India and Africa continues to be difficult and

these traditional supporters of

the group's profitability will make a smaller contribution in

The bulk of the "dramatic surgery" within the group is now complete and in a number

of places in Britain Turner has

bee recruiting small numbers.

improved demand at home in some sectors, but the construc-tion sector generally remains

• HOLT LLOYD INTER-NATIONAL: Year to Feb 25,

1984, Sales £55.04m (£52.87m),

Pretax profits £4.23m (£2.06m).

Dividend unchanged at 3.17p. Board expects total dividends

for current year to be not less

than 3.5p on capital increased

by the recently announced rights issue.

in brief

WARNER

HOLDINGS:

FIRST QUARTER RESULTS FOR 1984 oval insurance

The results for the first quarter are set out below; these should not be taken as providing a reliable intrication of the outcome for the year as a whole.

	3 months to 31 March 1984 (unaudited) £m	3 months to 31 March 1983 (unaudited) Lm	Year 1983 (audited) £m
General Insurance: Premiums Written	523.4	498.8	1,910.1
Underwriting Balance	-101.6	-64.2	-209.6
Investment Income allocated to General Insurance operations	54.7	47.2	204.2
General Insurance Result Long-term Insurance Profit	-46.9 4.9	-17.0 4.1	-5.4 17.5
Investment Income attributable to Capital and Reserves Share of Associated	18.0	19.3	75.1
Companies' Profits	3.6	2.8	11.2
Profit before Taxation	-20.4 1.3	9.2 7.1	98.4 17.8
Minority Interests	(credit) 0.0	(credit)	0.4
Net Profit attributable to the Shareholders	-19.1	16.1	80.2
Earnings per share	10.1p (loss)	8.5p	42.5p
Capital and Reserves	£1,604m	£1,324m	£1,652m

EXCHANGE RATES

Foreign currencies have been translated according to our normal practice at approximately the average rates of exchange ruling during the period. The principal rates were: -

USA \$1.51 Canada \$1.87 \$1.87 Australia \$1.54 \$1.02 \$1.68 Netherlands Fls4.38 Fls4.07 Fls4.33

The pre-tax result has been adversely affected by £2m due to changes in exchange rates, the underwriting balance being worsened by £3.7m with investment income and Associated Companies benefiting by £1.7m.

INVESTMENT INCOME

Total investment income of £72.7m increased in sterling terms by over 9%; allowing for changes in rates of exchange the growth was 6%.

GENERAL INSURANCE

Premium income rose by 5% in sterling; allowing for the effect of currency changes, the increase was over 3%. Details for the individual operating companies are as follows: -

In the United States the operating ratio was 126.0% (1983: 117.9%). The very poor result was mainly due to a high claims frequency on commercial multi-peril business, in part due to weather, and a substantial worsening compared with the first quarter of last year in the workers' compensation and general liability accounts. Despite the effect of weather losses there was some improvement in personal lines due to better experience in the automobile business. Rate increases and remedial underwriting action have already led to a significant reduction in premium volume in dollar terms; notwithstanding this further measures are being taken in view of the unsatisfactory results.

Premium volume increased by almost 14% in the UK. The personal and commercial property accounts were adversely affected by the extremely severe weather losses which are estimated at £32m. Results overall in the other major lines were somewhat better than in the corresponding period last year.

The deterioration in the result in Canada was due to worse experience in the commercial automobile and general liability accounts. The premium volume in local terms was virtually unchanged.

In Australia the improving trend seen throughout 1983 continued with strong premium growth, particularly in commercial lines, and a further reduction in the expense ratio. The -result represents a substantial advance on the corresponding period last year. which was, however, heavily affected by the bushfire losses costing £3.4m

Further heavy losses in Western Europe and the impact of severe flood claims in New Zealand accounted for the deterioration in the Royal Int result.

In Royal Nederland the result was similar to the first quarter last

Experience in Royal Re's proportional treaty account continued to worsen and particularly in facultative and home foreign business there was an increase in the number of large property losses.

ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE New annual premiums written by

Royal Life during the first three months of 1984 increased by 55% to £18.3m and new single premiums rose by 37% to £22.9m. Endowment mortgage business was very satisfactory and sales of unit-linked business increased by over 100%. The long-term insurance profit of £4.9m (£4.1m) represents a quarter of the estimated contribution for the whole

CAPITAL AND RESERVES

The figures as at 31 March 1984 and year end 1983 include the Long-term Insurance Business Reserve of £225m first established at 31 December 1983.

Royal Insurance plc, Group Head Office, 1 Cornhill, London EC3V 3QR.

Party .	3 months to 31 March 1984			3 months to 31 March 1983				
	Premiums Written £m	Under- Writing Balance £m	Allocated Investment Income £m	General Insurance Result £m	Premiums Written Lm	Under- Writing Balance Em	Allocated Investment Income Lm	General Insurance Resuit Lm
Royal USA	206.1	-60.2	26.7	-33.5	218.2	-43.5	20.2	-23.3
Royal UK	158.3	-25.5	14.2	-11.3	139.1	-12.9	13.3	0.4
Royal Canada	46.2	-9.1	6.8	-2.3	44.4	-2.4	6.9	4.5
Royal Australia	34.5	1.1	2.6	3.7	19.6	-2.6	2.4	-0.2
Royal Int	34.3	-2.8	1.8	-1.0	34.3	-0.4	1.8	1.4
Royal Nederland	24.2	-1.4	1.5	0.1	25.7	-1.4	. 1.5	0.1
Royal Re	19.8	-3.7	1.1	-2.6	17.5	-1.0	1.1	0.1
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	523.4	-101.6	54.7	-46.9	498.8	-64.2	47.2	-17.0

Results for the year ended 5th April 1984

1984	1983
Profit for the year	£14.205m
Total cost of Dividends 13.590m Disclosed Shareholders	£2.992m
Funds 257,140m	£45.347m 22.849.012m
Total Assets £3, £3, £93, £99 mi	22,549.01210

Total Assets. The Total Assets of the Group (excluding assets subject to repurchase arrangements) amount to £3,194 million compared with £2,349 million in 1983.

Following the Budget on 13th March, 1984, when the Chancellor of the Exchequity proposed considerable changes to the Corporation Tax levels and the structure of Capital Allowances and in the light of the size of the group's present operations, the Directors have reviewed the deferred tax requirements with the Company's tax advisors. As a result full provision has been made in the accounts of the leasing subsidiary and the group for the maximum potential tax liability on leased assets and for the referred tax provision in peacet of certain other terms is no longer considered necessary. That relating to prior years has been released and those has also been a benefit in the current year. After these involvements and after the transfer of £5,266,000 from inner reserves to General Reserve, the inner reserves stand at a higher figure than previously.

The Report and Accounts have been published.

Gerrard & National PLC Members of the London Discount Market Association.

Schroder Wagg names division head

J Henry Schroder Wagg & Co: Mr Peter Sedgwick has been appointed nead of the from July 2. He succeeded Mr Gordon Popham who, earlier this year, was appointed group managing director of investment management and personmal financial services worldwide for the Schroder Group. Mr Bernard Crowder has been appointed a director with effect fron July 16. He will be managing director of the Singapore international Merchant

Bankers, an assocated company

APPOINTMENTS

investment division with effect of the Schroder Group and he will be based in Singapore. Seagram UK: Mr Brenden Carr has become director of finance an administration. He will continue as compay sec-

> Wendy Restaurants (UK): Mr Jack St Clair has been appointed managing director. He succeeds Mr David Mitchell, who leaves to join Berni Inns. Barclays Bank: Mr John

> Quinton and Mr Andrew Buxton are to become vice-

ROBECO and ROLINCO

SHARE SPLIT

Extraordinary Meeting for shareholders of Rolinco NV, both

of Association of the two Companies were approved by the shareholders and pursuant to these amendments, effective 1st May 1984, the par value of the Ordinary Shares in each

Company has been changed from Fls.50 to Fls.10 resulting in a five-for-one stock split.

following which each Sub-share now represents one tenth of a fully paid Ordinary Share of Fls.10. Holders of Warrants to Bearer (cum Cpns No 83 to 128 only

in the case of Robeco and Cons No 26 to 34 only in the case of Rolinco) and/or Sub-share Certificates registered in the name of National Provincial Bank (Nominees) Limited and other names, should present these, accompanied by the

National Westminster Bank PLC., Stock Office Services,

The Sub-shares have also been subject to a 5:1 split,

3rd Floor (Counter), 20 Old Broad Street,

(on business days, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.)

for OVERSTAMPING to show that the warrants/certificates in current issue now represent five times the number of

Separate lodgement forms exist for the Bearer shares and

ROLINCO

The growth trust of the Robeco Group

Sub-shares and are obtainable from the above address.

LONDON EC2

shares or Sub-shares indicated therein.

ROBECO

income/growth trust

The balanced

special lodgement form(s) to:-

held on 29th March 1984, proposals to amend the Articles

At the Annual General Meeting of Robeco NV and the

merger of Barclays Bank and Barclays Bank International on January 1, 1985. Mr Peter Leslie becomes chief general manager and three senior general managers are named: Mr Peter Ardron (International). Mr Robert Sale (UK). and Mr Humphrey Norrington (Finance). There are two new general manager appointments: Mr Trevor Nicholas (Resources) and Mr Ted Foster (Corporate), All other members of senior management retain their present

Big rise in whisky output expected

Scotland's whisky distilleries are beginning to gear up for a big jump in production after more than four years of drastic

number of distilleries, some of which have been operating at as little as 10 per cent of capacity, are to increase production by as much as as a fifth this year and will prepare for a surge in demand next year

The industry is optimistic that the heavy destocking, which has been a feature of the recession, has at last come to an end, and, that even if there is no re-stocking. Scotch whisky blenders will at last start to replenish what they are using

A sustained improvement in demand from the blenders will benefit many small isolated Highland and island communities where the distilleries are often an important source of

At the Highland Park Distillery, at Kirkwall, on Orkney, Mr Jim Lochnead, the manager, reckons it will soon be necess-ary to take on extra staff.

"We are planning to lift production of Highland Park by about 20 per cent this year to take the distillery up to 35 per cent capacity utilization," he says. At its peak, the distillery employed 48 people but this has been reduced to 32.

"The signs are that we will see a more significant jump still in production during 1985 and we could well find ourselves short of staff" says Mr Loch-

Most distilleries will again operate an extended silent season of four months this year, but among the top man distilleries the products of which are widely used in the leading blends, there is a noticeable change in mood.

The Royal Bank of Scotland **Base Rate**

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc announces that with effect from close of business on 10 May 1984 its Base Rate for lending is being increased from 81/2 per cent per annum to 91/4 per cent per annum.

BSG International in £10m cash call

By William Kay, City Editor

announcing yearly results, the £1.3m loss to a £3.3m profit, motor distributor BSG Interthat would have been the national has returned to the obvious time to cash in on stock market to ask share-holders for £10.1m through a shareholders' goodwill. one-for-one rights issue at 17p a share compared with 21p for

As it is, the chairman, Mr Asiley Whittall, contents him-self with saying that the he existing shares ahead of the directors are encouraged by the payment should current level of trading. The the share capita management accounts for the the rights issue.

Less than a month after a dramatic turnround from a first quarter of 1984 show an improvement on the comparable period of 1983. The board therefore looks to the future with considerable confidence."

The new shares will not rank for the final dividend for 1983 But last year's ip-a-share payment should be repeated on the share capital as doubled by

J. Hewitt & Son (Fenton) P.L.C.

1983	1982	1981
£'600s	£"000s	£'000s
7,427	4,970	4,489
1,030	488	374
536	262	275
27.4p	14.1p	14.2p
3.6p	24p	1.95p
	£'600s 7,427 1,030 536 27.4p	£'800s £'000s 7,427 4,970 1,030 488 536 262 27,4p 14,1p

Extract from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. D. K. Hewitt: have continued to increase,

Since the end of the year there has been a decline in sales of some products used in the domestic appliance market mainly due to the relatively mild winter and overstocking. However sales of products for the ceramic industries

It is too early to give a positive indication of 1984 but present trends suggest that it will be difficult to maintain the rather exceptional profit



the existing shares ahead of the

BANK OF SCOTLAND

Base Rate

The Bank of Scotland intimates that with effect from 10th May, 1984, and until further notice, its Base Rate will be increased from 81/2 PER. ANNUM to 91/4% PER ANNUM. LONDON, BIRMINGHAM, BRISTOL, MANCHESTER, NEWCASTLE & SOUTHAMPTON OFFICES - DEPOSITS

The rate of interest on sums lodged for a minimum period of seven days or subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal will be 54% PER ANNUM, also with effect from 10th May 1984.





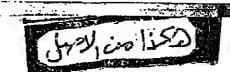
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YOUR OWN BUSINESS

By David Black

crop harvest is under way at

Britain's northernmost winery, eight miles from Inverness, No

grapes will grow in these

latitudes so the output from the

cellars of Moniack Castle depends on more traditional

In four years, with no

previous experience of wine-

making. Philippa Fraser, a mother of four, has turned her

initial £100 investment capital

into a business which produced

10.000 cases of wine last year

and an annual turnover of £200,000. She was first motiv-

ated by the wealth of local

recipes for home-made wine and the fact that people around

her were developing a consider-

able taste for the produce from

the amateur, kitchen-table wine

Help at hand for the high-tech failures

By Derek Harris A Management group has been launched to tackle problems of small businesses in high-technology areas, including what is believed to be a large failure rate.

The unit, at the London Business School, will be an extension of the work of the Institute of Small Business Management (ISBN) which has been operating at the school for more than 10 years. Stuart Slatter, who is director of the ISBN, will also be director of

David Trippier, minister with responsibility for small businesses, yesterday inaugurated the unit, which is being financed for the next four years by Coopers & Lybrand, the accountants

It followed recently announced backing by Ernst & Whinney, another firm of accountants, for a four-year research fellowship which will allow investigation by ISBN of the problems of growth companies in service industries.

over the research findings together with published matpanies in service industries, together Dr Slatter said: "The thrust erial.

of the ISBN is to look at problems of growth and that has led us into the two major sectors of high technology and the service industries. That leaves one area which we earlier in their corporate develbelieve should be especially delegation in family-controlled



As part of the Coopers & Lybrand inniative, a pilot study of 50 companies in a wide variety of high-technology areas was started iin February. Sec-tors like telecommunications. bio-medical innovation and microelectronics are being exlored with company studies. First results should show up in the autumn leading to seminars. workshops and courses to put

high-techbology small businesses have already emerged. Such companies need to take an international stance much opment. They are also managing professionals rather than shop-floor workers. Dr Slatter added: "clearly the failure rate

among high-technology-based companies is going to prove to be very high."

An assessment of the work before the new unit yesterday suggested that a significant proportion" of small companies ion are unsuccessful in the formulation and implemen-tution of businesses strategies. That was the reason for the high failure rate among such small businesses even though they might have technologically superior products, it was sug-

Yes small companies account for a significant proportion of the technological innovations in Britain and therefore play a strategically important role in determining Britain's future technological leadership, the

The new unit wants to promote the teaching of man-agement of small high-technology companies not only at London Business School but more widely in Britain to increase the flow of managers equipped to tackle their characbe a catalyst in bringing about changes to support and promote such companies in Britain.

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involving grants of around £1 m.

Philippa Fraser and bottles: a taste for good business

The first of the season's wine

First of the season's wine - in Scotland

England and Italy. "I had to acquire a lot of knowledge very fast," she said. "Now I have chemists in England I can call to the trade and she has since acquired an off sales licence to catch passing the chemistry of the sales licence to catch passing the sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sales licence to sale to the trade and she will be sales licence to sales licence to

She turns out six different wines made from elderflower: meadowsweet, rowanberries. silver birch sap and red and white grapes from England. She also makes mead and her first liqueur - sioe gin - was introduced last November.

Starting up involved reroofing a few outhouses and stables to house the 50-gallon vat and 550-gallon storage casks. The fermenting room which has to be maintained at a steady 75

tourist custom and a public house licence with a view to opening a wine bar. Last year more than 16.000 people visited the castle.

She describes the business as like domestic wine-making but on a larger scale. That scale has been increasing since 1980 - she now employs 12 full-time staff and six part-time during the harvest rush.

The wines have more than 500 outlets throughout Scot-land, in hotels, restaurants and the Wine Lodge and Peter Dominic chains. But sales south by the profit potential and set degrees Centigrade is three old about picking the brains of stables knocked together. Mrs. of the border are limited to the

Lancashire area and there have been no forays into the export market despite numerous in-

Mrs Fraser said: "We want to firmly establish ourselves in Scotland first. There is still plenty to do here and we are in no hurry". Although not adverse to the prospect of continued expansion, she feels family ties as well as market demand may act as a brake,

Her wines are allowed to mature for a year before being sold, Last year, a vintage, sold out. Bottling and labelling, at 3,000 a week in season, is by hand. The castle, which has been in the family for six generations acts as a business

She is also investigating the possibilities of freezing sap and berries to allow year round production and avoid the present seasonal harvest fren-

group of small grocers operating

as a "symbol" chain with typically

husband-and-wife teams operating as franchisees. Out of 3,500 outlets

more than 120 have now been

Firming flabby

Small firms with average ideas and loose accounting systems will never attract the kind of money for expansion which they see being offered to others which run a tighter ship. But a new private company designed to invest development capital into sound potential businesses also offers a service which will mould the toporting systems of a loose business into a shape more likely to attract additional

Culonnade Development Capital, formed last year as part of the financial services arm of Abaco lovestments, a public fisted company born out of the old Greencoat Properties, offers ust such a service. It will charge about £7,500 a year for the privilege, but by the end, a small business should look a tempting investment, says Colonnade, At that time. Colonnade is likely to take a

take itself. Peter Goldie, a Colonnade director who is a chartered accountant and a former director of Guinness Mahon, says: When people have been running a business, having complete control over it for any length of time, it is rather a culture shock when trying to come around to the City to raise money. They don't understand why the City wants to know this and that. We will smooth the

But preening small firms is not what Colonnade sees as its prime job. It is a development capital fund, hoping to earn profits as the investments it makes in unquoted companies mature into public companies. It will also apply for a full list of its own shares in about two years.

record. Its offer for subscription was arranged by Brown Goldie & Co., which controls the financial services arm of Abaco and E. B. Sayory Milln & Co. the stockbrokers. Brown Goldie will act as investment manager and Savory Milh will be

investment adviser.

Mr Goldie added: "It is true
that everything in the City
judged on the hasis of a track record. But then going around to institutions to raise money for investment, they were impressed with the system

Getting derelicts back to work

the conversion of decelict rural buildings luto workshops is being out back Derek Harris



Development Commission is cutting grant aid from 35 per cent of a project's

scheme, an experimental one, is administered by the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas (Cosira), the executive arm of rural areas.

The scheme - first launched restricted to comparatively few

Applications for aid are The grant cut is being made mission. The new grant rate so that as many projects as possible can be helped within the constraints of the constraints of the constraints. mission's financial ceiling. The grants up to the 35 per cent level. Grants until now have been running on aver between £5,000 and £7,000. The scheme has ushered in

the commission which tackles conversions of a wide range of economic and social problems in rural buildings including disin the autumn, 1982 - was termination of the experiment in rural areas, but was extended to mission says that the lower rate many other parts of England in is the one it would hope to retain March last year. In the last six should the scheme be extended months before the extension beyond next March, It still

She confesses to being lured The small firms' route to

or less were exempt from specific approval procedures, but the ceiling has now been raised to £10,000. David Trippier, minister used barns, mills and forges, but is now under review ahead of the for small businesses, says the change should particularly benefit March next year. The comnew suppliers and small firms seeking government business. Under examination is the possibility of simplifying and standardizing the technical information which

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general information has already been agreed and will be used by all government purchasing departments from July 1.

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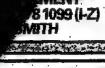
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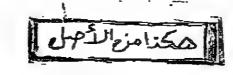
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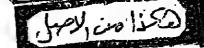
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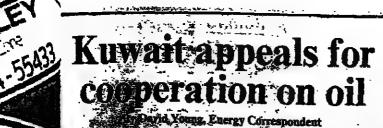
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AMERICA'S CUP: ROYAL THAMES AIM AT HIGH BUDGET AND LOW PROFILE



Countries on oil production Jevels has been made by Shaikh Nasser Ohammed Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber, "A" member of the Kuwait Government.

Speaking at an oil industry seminar in Durham yesterday, the called for Britain to follow Mexico, the other leading non-Opec oil exporter, to enter into an informal agreement. He also warned the European petrochemicals industry against att-empting to set up trade barriers to keep the emerging Arab perochemical industry out of the world markets.

Britain is now producing 2.5 million barrels of oil a day from the North Sea compared with 2.1 millioni when Opec made its present price and production agreement in London last March. Since then various sectors within Opec have been arguing that Britian should keep to the 2.1 million barrel-a-day level during the present period of slack demand.

Shaikh Al-Jaber said yesterday: "Our message is cooperation. We seek more cooperation, not less, between the Asab Gulf states and your country. We see a comfortable world demand for Opec oil especially from our region in the years ahead. We want, like you, to see a stable world energy industry without discussive leaves the ability of west really, the public relations company, to raise sponsorship worth a minimum £4.5m over the next six months. The firm is optimistic of being able to find you, to see a stable world energy discussive leaves the Savary for instance.

industry without disruptive price shocks. Our friends in Mexico, for example, have recently been cooperating with our country and we would on the same terms welcome greater United Kingdom cooperation. "Cooperation means just

what it says and I refer to all fields in the Arab Gulf states. For example, we are entering the petrochemical market with high hopes and Britain and Europe should be very cautious about restricting trade by erecting any barriers. We need to cooperate in this, as in any other matter."

country wanted to cooperate with Britain.

UEI sees profits falter

By Ian Griffiths

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UEL the electronic and engineering company, saw preax profits for the year to January slip back from £9.4m to 8.2m, mainly because the Cosworth Group, which makes acing car engines and compo-nents, failed to produce an expected upturn before the year-

effecting a generally sluggish contract with Mercedes-Benz

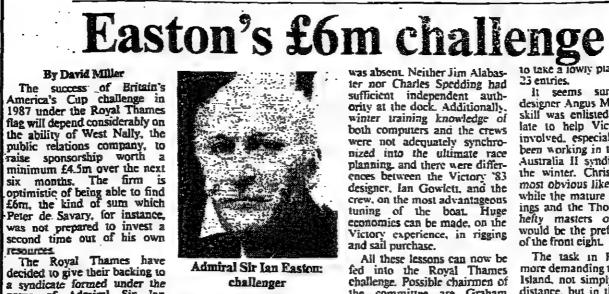
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seen improved trading and Yewlands is running at a small profit which the company hopes

There were also signes of improvement at Cosworth, which has expanded its engin-



Admiral Sir Ian Easton: challenger

the knowledge gained from his three-year project, but wishes to be a contributor, not a platform. Studies, as opposed to the alternative syndicate which was being marshalled by Kit Hobday, vice-chairman of the Victory '83 syndicate last year. One possible sponsor experted to come forward is British Aerospace; and a commercial airline, offering reduced travel costs to Australia, will be vital It seems that Royal Thames did not wish for a high-profile campaign such as Hobday might have conducted, though his substantial experience over to the budget. Further imminent meetings

of the Royal Thames will decide two important administrative two America's Cup campaigns functions: the chairman of the may yet be taken on board by the preferred syndicate, Royal Burnham YC and the Royal America's Cup committee and the syndicate's full-time sailing manager. The key to the 1984-87 campaign will be team work at all Yacht Squadron had declined any interest before Royal Thames submitted the Brittish

One of the short comings of the Victory syndicate, in spite of de Savary's prodigious investment of money and enthusiasm and apart from his equipment, including his first controversial postponement of 12 metre, the Dubois-designed a decision on the after-guard. Victory '82, which will be was a lack of day-to-day direction in Newport or Nassau whenever de Savary himself

By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent

final covered the ground that lies between triumph and tragedy. The glory belonged to the players, who held mighty Anderlecht to a 1-1 draw on Wednesday night. All they must do to collect the trophy in 12 draw to no at section at the property of the prop

must do to collect the trophy in 12 days is to act sensibly at home. The shame belonged to some of their supporters. Although the trouble inside the stadium was kept to a minimum, it seems far too optimistic to expect these English travellers to behave sensibly abroad. Police sirens, crying almost continually for two days in the Belgian capital, served as a nauseatingly familiar reminder of how deeply the nation's reputation continues to be soiled by criminals.

continues to be soiled by criminals.
invariably drunk and disguised as hooligans. No wonder foreign hosts are in fear of them and no wonder

the authorities are in despair about

Once the hour before such a same

tingled with apprehension. Now it

outskirts of Brussels were listed with

were taunted by an ugly stream of obscene chants. After they entered the ground, where they were confined behind fences and watched

crackles with animosity.

The first leg of the UEFA Cup

ter nor Charles Spedding had sufficient independent authority at the dock. Additionally, winter training knowledge of both computers and the crews were not adequately synchronized into the ultimate race planning, and there were differences between the Victory '83 designer, Ian Gowlett, and the crew, on the most advantageous tuning of the boat. Huge

economies can be made, on the

Victory experience, in rigging

was absent Neither Jim Alabas-

and sail purchase. All these lessons can now be fed into the Royal Thames challenge. Possible chairmen of the committee are Graham Walker, a retired Jersey businessman who was captain of last year's Admiral's Cup team. Robin Aisher and Christopher Dunning. An able but potentially provocative sailing manager would be Harry Cudmore, the joint Victory helmsman with de Savary, was

modified by a role as consult-ant. It is thought that Howlett, who was under contract to de Savray, may wish to collaborate while Roger Marshall, a British designer in the United States. could also be incorporated. The Americans and Australians have huge hull design develop-ments under way, and the British cannot afford to be becalmed at the starting line. The Royal Thames will reassess their position within the year: would rather cut their

sense and insensibility

FOOTBALL: LONDON CLUBS PREPARE FOR EMOTIONAL EVENINGS

of the designer may have to be

it seems sure that sail

designer Angus Melrose, whose skill was enlisted possibly too late to help Victory, will be involved, especially as he has been working in the loft of the Australia II syndicate most of the winter. Chris Law is the most obvious likely helmsman, while the mature Kelvin Rawlings and the Thompson twins, hefty masters of the wind. would be the preferred nucleus of the front eight.

The task in Perth will be more demanding than in Rhode Island, not simply in cost and distance, but in the size of the challenging fleet and accumulated foreign knowledge. John Kolins, the lightweight skipper with the Robert Redford smile, who in Courageous gave Dennis Conner's Liberty such a close run in the 1983 defender's trials, will lead the New York YC

sacked in early 1983. The technical independence The NYYC have already purchased their own foreshore dock site at Fremantle, as has Conner's San Diego club, The government of Western Australia is developing a new marina with modern workshop facilities for the expected fleet. What has yet to be decided is which club will be the challenger of record. overseeing the race conditions and foreign elimination series -Royal Thames are thought to be reluctant - and whether the multiple US entry must be reduced under the rules to one challenger before the elimin-ation series. I guesss the event should sell a few cans of lager. losses early than limp through

the targets for attack and the damage is done.

Tottenham know what they must do on the night of May 23 when

on the night of May 23 when Perryman, suspended from the second leg, could be replaced by Ardiles, who is now keener than ever to recover from injury in time. There is also a faint possibility that Hoddle might be fit enough to be considered in Keith Burkinshaw's

But the authorities both here and abroad, seem unable to do anything

to solve hooliganism. It is known

that UEFA, in their search for a

suitable deterrent, are prepared to wield their heaviest weapon and ban the next English side involved. That

answer, although perhaps under-standable, is both dangerous and

First, it could encourage some

supporters to set out to have a rival

club thrown out of European competition. Second, rather than

holding club or national officials responsible for the actions of people

beyond their control, it would surely

be far more appropriate to punish

the troublesome individuals them-selves - and punish them much

final between Juventus and Porto next week, should be spared the fate

that befell parts of Brussels. And the followers of Liverpool. England's

representatives in the European Curfinal in Rome at the end of the

month, are noted more for verbal humour than physical thuggery.

more severely than at present.

misguided.

Kitty Godfree winning the 1926 title

Wimbledons women on centenary parade

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Numbiedon is always a special occasion. This year it will be a very special occasion, especially for those to whom youth is a memory. The first women's singles championship was pisyed in 1884 and 17 of the surviving champions have accepted invitations, expenses paid, to be the tournament's centenary guests.
The three champions missing will

The three champions missing will be the two Helens, Wills (later Moody and Roark) and Jacobs, and possibly Karen Hantze (later Susman), who may yet find it possible to come. The oldest former champion to attend will be Kirty Godfree, formerly Miss Mckane, who is now aged 82, still plays tennic how is remoured to be slowing

Five of the centenary heroines are expected to compete in one event or expected to compete in one event or another. Billie Jean King, Evonne Cawley, Virginia Wade, Chris Lloyd, and Martina Navratilova. The rest will join them in a Centre Court parade on July 2, the second Monday, and all will be presented with inscribed Waterford crystal. As an appropriate change, this year's musical accompaniment will be provided by the Women's Royal Army Corps.

Army Corps.
Two films are being made, one The season is likely at least to end primarily for distribution overseas, to commemorate 160 years of the amid welcome peace. Basle, the location for the Cup Winners Cup women's championship. Two respecied historians have produced a active (if in some cases part-time) booklet about the 3-4 women who

Wimbledon is always a special have won the title. The Bayswaterborn Mrs Godfree is to be honoured with a statue to mark the sixtieth anniversary of the first of her two singles championships.

Another statue in evidence this year will feature Fred Perry, who is cates renamed to commemorate his gates renamen to commemorate his achievements. It is 50 years since Perry won his first Wimbledon singles championship. Until Bjorn Borg came along, Perry was the only man to win the men's title three years in a row after playing through the commemorate.

Since Perry's successes the only British player to reach the final basbeen Bunny Austin (1938) and only Mike Sangster and Roger Taylor bave advanced to the semi-finals. In taking pride in the Perry of 50 years are British may also feel come. ago, Britain may also feel some embarrassment at the fallure of his

It may therefore be a coincidental veil of kindness that, to some extent. the Perry of 1984 will be upstaged by Mrs Godfree, Alice Marble, Pauline Betz, Margaret Osborne, Louise Brough, Doris Hart, Shirley Fry. Althea Gibson. Maria Bueno, Augela Mortimer, Margaret Court. Ann Jones and the five former women's champions who remain on

RUGBY UNION

Travellers with a tradition

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent England's under-23 side leave for a three-match tour of Spain today, following the pattern recently established by the parties which visited Italy (1982) and Romania (1983). Of the six matches played on those two tours, five were won, the only defeat coming against the senior Italian side at the end of the enior italia 1982 tour

Spain should not prove so testing. though the playing conditions may prove novel to the English. Wales found this to be so when their B party visited Spain last year but had no trouble winning all their games, the closing match against the senior Spanish side by 65-16, although the Spanish three-quarters indicated some of the pace and flair one associates with their neighbours in France.

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Spain (Serile).

Romania is geared up for Scots

By Iain Mackenzie

Scotland's tour of Romania begins today. The Romanians have beaten France five times in the last seven visits to Bucharest and just November on the same day that Scotland were drawing 15-all with New Zealand at Murrayfield Romania beat Wales 24-6 with the try score of four-nif.

Since then Romania have lost to the French in Toulouse and Italy at Aquila. That suggests that they are more fallible away from home. On their own pitches, usually hard and onen dusty, they are a different

proposition.

They have been training hard for the Scottish visit. Romania do not have a long rugby tradition and they are determined to compensate by showing the International Board countries that they are at least equato the prevailing standards.

They are aware that Scotland wor The only doubt about the tour the Grand Slam last season with resurrounds the timing, since so many of the eligible players are students and engaged in examinations just makes them all the more determined to the time of the students of the control of the contro makes them all the more deter-nance to win the international in-

RUGBY LEAGUE

Division is regionalized

By Keith Macklin

The second division of the eague will be split into eastern and restern sections next season. ollowing a fixtures meeting in

There has been strong support for some change in the divisions system following yet another season in which first division attendances held up, while second division gates showed a disturbing decline, particularly among the less success-

Leeds.

ful clubs.
The admission of Sheffield and Mansfield into the second division next season gives a lower division of 20 clubs. This would have meant a total of 38 fixures home and away

Next season the first division will remain at 16 clubs, but the second division will be regionalized. There will be an eastern zone of 10 clubs.

Pennines, and a western zone composed mainly of clubs in Lancashire. Cheshire, Greater Manchester and Cumbria. The zoned clubs will play each

other home and away, giving 18 fixtures. The top five in each zone will play each other hoem and away. and the bottom five likewise, giving a total of 28 fixtures in all. At the end of the season promotion and relegation will

remain the same, four up and four down, with the top four clubs in the second division, regardless of original zoning, going up.

A new three-year contract worth \$240.000 was agreed yesterday between the Rugby League and John Player Special, sponsors of the trophy competition. The event launched in 1972, will carry prize

money of £75,000 next season - and increase of 25 per cent. in Yorkshire and the

The minister said that his

This year, however, UEI has

There was also a marked ceting division to cope with reduction in aerospace orders several design contracts for the Yewlands Group major motor manufacturers. It is a several design contracts for the Yewlands Group major motor manufacturers. It is a several design contracts for the Yewlands of 1983, has also won a major four-year

Bonds joins Tottenham's latest chapter of **Brooking** in farewell By Clive White

The end of another season, the end of another career. West Ham United's retirement party on the Upton Park pitch next Monday gainst Everton will now honour lot just Trevor Brooking but also his erstwhile captain and colleague. Billy Bonds, But, like old soldiers. Bonds is only fading away.

العندا من توميل

By David Miller

was not prepared to invest a

second time out of his own

name of Admiral Sir Ian

Easton, former Commandant of

the Royal College of Defence

Hobday did not have exclusi-

vity on de Savary's offer to donate £400,000-worth of

available to the Easton group. De Savary is keen to provide

After celebrating his booth league ame against Arsenal last Monday, he has announced his intention to step down from regular first-team football with two years of his contract left, to concentrate instead on coaching. He will, however, remain a squad member. He said he found at the age of 37 that his enthusiasm, possibly his greatest asset, and concentration were

Bonds, always a fighter, saw himself in the front line leading the troops on the beaches." He was the sort to stiffen the resolve of sort to suited the resort of colleagues and supporters. He was a winner. Yet he never won an England cap, which was surprising considering the West Ham influence on England teams.

outskirts of Brussels were nnea wan English youths, soaked by the rain and draped in flags. Grasping cans of beer with one fist, they punched the air with the other. Passer-by were taunted by an ugly stream of His character was in stark contrast to the soft image West Ham presented, and if they regularly flattered to deceive during his 17 years there in the league, they were a stylish and potent force in cup competition, where in victory or

Luton Town will also be saying farewell to two old campaigners shortly, the captain, Brian Horton and Raddy Antic. The Yugoslav is of 33, but Horton, at 35, believes he still has a couple of seasons left in him. By comparison the career of another Luton player. Paul Waish, is just beginning, possibly with Manchester United, who completed the sale of Ray Wilkins to AC Milan

Wilkins agreed after eight hours of negotiations to accept a £75,000 signing-on fee and a three-year for "my family's sake". The proceeds of the sale, after the purchase of Strachan, leaves Ron Atkinson, the manager, with a handy sum of £900,000 with which to "test the market", as he put it, like a cautious broker. The sum fits neatly the size of Walsh's valuation.

Barceiona (Reuser) - Cesar Lnis Menotti, the manager of Barceiona, has confirmed that he will leave the club when his contract expires on June 30. He said that "nothing" could make him change his mind.
Questioned about a reported offer
to manage Flamingo, the Brazilian
club, he said: "Now I want to rest,
but in three months everything

ould change.

Menotti, who led Argentina to win the 1978 World Cup final, has failed to lift Barcelona to triumphs since he replaced Udo Lattek, the West German manager, last year. Barcelona finished third in the league and lost the cup final 1-0 against Athletic Bilbao, the league champions, last Saturday.

mercifully into genuine supporters, even the most comprehensive Heavily outnumbered by their preparations of the local police, that Begian counterparts, they out-buildings and humans alike become Watford trio picked

for England international thinking was illus-trated by the selection of three of their players in the youth squad of 17 to compete in the European Championship in the Soviet Union from May 23 to June 4 (Clive White writes). They are Gibbs, who may 'play in the FA Cup final on Saturday week, Porter and Williams.

Among those who have made Adios, Barcelona, Mender of Barcelona, Barceiona (Reuter) — Cesar Luis Menotti, the manager of Barceiona, has confirmed that he will leave the Barceion Barceiona (Reuter) — Reserve the Menotti, the manager of Barceiona, has confirmed that he will leave the Say Germany and Luxembourg. EASI CETTALITY AND LILLERIDOUTS.

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 York City's playing squad, their manager Dennis Smith and coach Viv Busby have been invited to their local Knavesmire racecourse next Tuesday by the York executive in honour of their achievement in winning the fourth division title by a record margin, becoming the first

Cox offered new terms by Newcastle board

Newcastle United have offered their manager, Arthur Con. a new contract. The Newcastle directors met within 24 hours of United clinching promotion at Huddersfield on Monday, and Cox has been informed of the terms and length of contract, although he has yet to sign

Ardiles: could play

shouted them throughout the

evening, Douglas Alexiou, Totten-ham's chairman, later showed his

appreciation by walking to their end of the pitch to return their applause.

But, as in this country, the

sickening problem has been stilled in the stadia only to be spread across

confined behind fences and watched the surrounding environment. It is carefully by the police. They turned there, often outside and beyond

The Newcastle captain Kevin fre Newcasue captain Actin keegan, may miss what is scheduled to be his 500th Football League appearance. He is doubtful for tomorrow's home game with Brighton and Hove Albion. a match which will mark his retirement from competitive football, because of the head injury he sustained scoring Newcastle's first goal against Derby

County last Saturday.

Keegan rates his chances as 50-50, although he travelled up from his Hampshire home to Newcastle sesterday.

Bristol City intend to hand out their own punishment to supporters myolved in the crowd troubles during their fourth division match at Reading on April 7.

An FA commission will hold an

inquiry into the riot at Elm Park iday, but Ciry have already reached their own conclusions. They plan to ask for a list of supporters found guilty of committing offences in Reading on the day of the match. City will then take out a court injunction banning the troublemak-

ers from future matches involving the club.

Maidstone's strong case for election

Maidstone United believe they can become the first civb to win selection to the Football League since becoming a familiar sound, so is Wigan Athletic in 1978. The Keut Hartlepool's plea to remain inside civb, having won the Alliance they will be seeking reelection for Premier League championship, go the fourteenth time and for the forward to the Football League's fourth in the last eight seasons. Chester and two from Wrexham, Rochdele and Halifax Town will fill the remaining reelection places.

annual meeting sext month as the non-League game's candidate for election for the second season in The one blot on Maidsmue's copybook has been the recent Last year Maidstone received 26 votes, a record for a club applying unseemly struggle for courted in for membership for the first time their boardroom. Jun Thompson, for membership for the first time and only 10 lewer than Hardepool United, the lowest fo the four League clubs in the poll. This year became chairman 15 years ago when Maidstone were a run-down Isththey have good reason to believe they can improve on that perform-

Inished runners-up in the Alliance -Enfield, the champions, missed the deadline for submitting their request to stand for election - but this season the Kent club are undisputed champions. Unlike last year they also have a good FA Cup run under their belts, which is often a crucial factor. They bent Exeter City in the first round and eventually went out in the third to Darlington.

Twelve months ago Maidstone

could easily support a second League club in addition to Gilling-

ham and that they would average between 2,500 and 3,000 in the fourth division, which by current

mian League cinb, was ousted in February while on a business trip to America but hopes to regains his position at the Cinb's annual meeting today.

The only other doubt League

chairman can have about Maidstone is their crowd-pulling capacity. Last season they averaged more than 1,400 for home league games, but The strength of Maidstone's case and the weakness of Harriepool's this season – perhaps because most of their best performances have been in away matches – the average is down to 1.060. Maidstone believe, however, that the county of Krut

Alliance goals The Alliance Premier League

standards is reasonably healthy Their attendance on Saturday -2,502 people saw then win the Alliance championship by beating Telford United 6-0 - was better than cight in the League. Hartiepool's home game against Stockport County on the same day was watched by a crowd of 790, the lowest in the League for 10 years.

Maidstone, moreover, would not need a big improvement in gates to pay for fourth division football, as their players would remain part-time. Bill Williams, the manager, a former centre-half who ended a lengthy League career at Gilling-ham, belleves he already has the nucleus of a good fourth division

look certain to ensure a close conte at next month's election. The fact that both are going to the polls for the second year in succession could just swing the vote Maidstone's way.



Cox: promotion success

Rioting City followers hurled lumps of concrete at police, and the referee, Danny Vickers, took the players off the field for 17 minutes. Eleven police officers were injured and 48 supporters arrested.

• The Asion Villa captain, Allan Evans, is to have an exploratory operation on the knee which has troubled him for much of the

season.
The Villa Manager, Tony Barton, has had talks with the chairman.
Doug Ellis, about reducing expenditure, and Mr Ellis has again called for a £150,000 wage cut. Baton says it is inevitable players will leave "but it will not be done to the detriment of my first team plans."

Sponsors aim to encourage

vesterday announced the biggest sponsorship in the history of semiprofessional football (Paul Newman writes). Gola, the British sportswear company, are to put £250,000 into the league over the next three years.
The sponsorship is intended to encourage attacking football. A fund of £2.500 will be distributed each month among the club scoring the most goals and all those scoring three goals in away games and four goals in home games. Money will also be made available to encourage youth football.
Stuart Lamb, the chairman of

Gola, said: "The real strength of football is not at the level of the Liverpools and Manchester Uniteds. It is at this mid-level of football and among youngsters, and we are delighted to be involved in

Paul Bence, the coach of Wokingham Town, is to succeed Mike Keen as manager of another Ishmian League club, Wycombe

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announce that with effect from close of business on 11th May 1984 its Base Rate is increased from 83/4% to 91/4% p.a.

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shire, with all their second of spin. Except that there were telephone to Lord's, by the time innings wickets in hand, are 143 no leg breaks, this was what runs ahead of Hampshire.

When rain stopped play here vesterday, with 10 of the 117 overs unbowled, one wicket had fallen for 328 runs. The batsman to enjoy themselves were the two opening pairs Smith and Terry of Hampshire and Stovold and Romaines of

Gloucestershire. Taking the quality of the pitch into account, as well as the bowling of the two sides, Pocock decided in mid-afternoon that a declaration, while still 38 runs behind, gave Hampshire their best chance of victory, It made fair sense, even if his later batsmen did feel

In many ways, the match has been a throw-back to the Forties and early Fifties. As such, it has made a welcome change from the daily diet of five-minute overs and short-pitched bowling. Yesterday's over rate met comfortably enough the TCCB's vardstick os 18 an hour.

Except for Lawrence, who is quite brisk there was no owling of above medium pace. There were no bouncers to speak of, and no superfluous

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent SOUTHAMPTON: Gloucester- appeals. There was also plenty came in. A. C. was on the

clearly have been caught. Smith

His hundred reached in three

hours and a half, was his second

in succession against Glouces-

As on Wednesday, the Eng-land selectors were represented.

what he come to find out. Like

Alec Bedser on Wednesday, he also had no real chance of

another look at Nicholas. When the Hampshire No 3

his call was finished, Pocock had declared. On these cricket used to be like. occasions selectors glean what For Hampshire's first wicket, they can from other sources, Smith and Terry came within such as umpires and county 27 runs of beating the county record, the 249 added - by coaches, and make notes for Marshall and Gray against

future reference, such as that Gloucestershire's Russell. Middlesex at Portsmouth in 1950. Smith made his first wicketkeeper, has a good pair of hands. Stovold can still whack the ball around and Romaines hundred of the season. Terry his second. There were one or two bats nicely. alarms early on, at slip and gully, but nothing that should

Terry has a good, upright, English method. He spent some time in the second XI, waiting his chance. Now that it has set the pace, scoring mostly off his legs and "sniffing" the ball as the watchful batsman does. come he should be good enough to take it. In Hampshire, they are looking forward eagerly to next year, when they will have Greenidge and two Smiths (the younger, Robin will be eligible by then), Nicholas, Jesty, Pocock and Marshall to bat for them. They could win some-thing then. This season, they no one able to simulate Holding or Marshall or any of those, he was not much the wiser at the

end of the day about how his namesake C. L. copes with the fiercely rising ball, if that was not under pressure. Nothing was more striking about Terry's hundred than the way he reached it. Dale was purveying off spin, not especially searchingly. Getting wind, perhaps, of an impending declaration, Terry went from 92 to 104 by driving him twice in the same over for six. Nicholas

had just shown him how.

C W J Athey, Zaheer Abbas, A J Whight, "D A Graveney, J N Shepherd, IR C Russell, C Date. D Y Lawrence and G E Sensbury to bat,

HAMPSHIRE: First Innegs Total (1 wkt dec. 82 overs) .

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-223. BOWLING: Livererum 18-3-58-0; Sainsbury 13-3-27-0; Shepherd 14-5-34-0; Date 18-4-65-0; Arbey 5-1-16-0; Gravenay 14-2-40-1. Borus points: Hampshire 7, Gloucestershire 3.

impires: W E Alley and J H Harris. SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire 216 (P Johnson 61, D J R Marandale 50 not out, S Oldham 4 for 59) and 47 for 5 (S Oldham 4 for 172; Yorkshiren 115 (S J Rhodes 55, D Fraser-Darling 5 for 59, M K Bore 4 for 12).

Miller testimonial

Derbyshire have awarded a testimonial next season to Geoff Miller, their England all-rounder.

Lancashire make heavy weather of reply By Peter Ball

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire, with eight first innings wickets in hand, are 200 behind Kent.

Rain and then a leaking cover, which left a large wet patch just in front of one popping crease, reduced play by 63 overs yesterday. Lancashire made heavy weather of Lancashire made heavy weather of what play was possible, as only a late flurry in the evening sun took their scoring rate above 1.5 an over.

Kent had made batting look a very difficult business on Wednesday morning, but yesterday morning Lancashire made it look downright impossible, scoring 32 runs in a session which lost 20 minutes to rain.

minutes to rain.

By lunch, howeer they were in rather better shape than Kent had been, losing only two wickets, as opposed to four. Kent had only themselves to blame. Ormond being dropped three times at first slip on his way to nine in 115 minutes. Two, off Alderman and Under-wood, were difficult chances. The

Jarvis, who had the consolation of removing O'Shaughbessy as he played forward down the wrong line, bowled as well as, and possibly will be pleased with such days a little better than, Lancashire's supporting seam bowler. But Alderman, in spite of an opening stint of 8-5-3-0 pn his first championship appearance, did not look as penetrative as Allott had done as yesterday, when they were

third off Jarvis's last ball before rain intervened for the first time

done.
Progress was marginally quicker Progress was marginally quicker afterwards until rain set in seriously, the players going off at 2.25. When they returned at six o'clock, Underwood's withdrawl after two over signified Kent' view of things and Ormrod, who had reached 20 before the break, emerged from his coma, to celebrate with his first two boundaries of the day.

The arrival of Underwood, however, saw the end of Fowler, beaten on the drive by the spin party.

beaten on the drive by the spin bowler's faster ball, and until lunch Lancashire's innings retired into

KENT: First innings 296 (C Penn 115, G W Johnson 50, 8 N V Waterton 50: P J W Allers 5 LANCASHERE: First Innings

Total (2 wice, 54 overs) _____ 99
D P Hughes, C Maynard, ST Jefferies, S M &
Zaidi, I Folloy, P J W Allott and L L McFarlane
to bet.

252

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-27. Barus points (to date): Lancashire 2, Kent 3. Umpires: R Paisser and J A Jameson.

Sussex put pressure on Surrey By Marcus Williams

HOVE: Sussex, with two first innings wickets in hand, are 82 runs ahead of Surrey.

Sussex consolidated their advantage over Surrey thanks to two fruitful partnerships on an abbreviated day vesterday. Greig and Gould thrashed 62 runs at more than six an over for the seventh wicket and Le Roux and Reeve. an wicket and Le Roux and Reeve, an accomplished number 10, 48 more sedately for the ninth, as 126 runs were added in 30 overs in a lively evening session.

Bad light, and persistent drizzle

had taken four hours and 25 minutes out of the day and ironically produced the faste rate of the match; for while the bowlers have averaged around 16 an hour, the rain sends them down at 18 an hour under the new regulations. Play resumed at 4.55 accompanied briefly by sun, and Alan Wells soon fell, but Greig and Gould batted in swashbuckling style as Surrey had to contend initially as surey had to contend initially with a wet ball. When Clarke pitched short, Greig cut and pulled him; when he pitched up, he was driven straight to the boundary four

tims in one over.

The fun ended with Gould, glancing, caught by Richards and next over Greig, having struck eight powerful fours, hit Knight tamely to cover. Clarke vented his displeasure on Le Roux with a series of bouncers and when Feltham replaced him, his 10 overs had cost

In 30 minutes at the start before the interruption Barclay had completed a good 50, and Sussex lost two wickets. Colin Wells was caught behind off the bottom edge and in the next over Barclay was and in the next over Barrlay was bowled as he tried to turn the ball to leg.

SURREY: First Innings 179 (G S is Roux 4 for 41) SUSSEC First Invings
G D Mendes E Howard's b Clarke
D K Standing How b Feitham
19 R T Barcley b Monthouse
P W G Parker C Clarke b Kinght
C M Wells C Richards b Clarke
A P Warte How b Clarke
I A Greig C Lymch b Kinght
II A Greig C Lymch b Kinght
II Gould C Richards b Clarke
S Le Renn or ma

Total (5 wkts, 51 cvers) C E Waller to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-29, 3-118, 4-133, 5-133, 8-149, 7-211, 8-213. Banus painte: (to date): Sussex 7, Surrey 4,

Derbyshire slip as Steele hits right spot

DERBY: Derbyshire, with three first innings wickers in hand, are 36 runs alicad of Glamorgan. John Steeke. Glamorgan's new slow left-arm bowler, put his side

back into contention against Derbyshire, before rain washed out play after lunch. He took three wickets for only eight runs in nine overs including Wright, the New Zealand Test opener, who was top scorer with 67. .
Derbyshire collapsed from 124

for three to 143 for seven GLAMORGAN: First Innings 144 (G Miler & for

DERBYSHIRE First Imings
"K J Bernett is Davice to Davis
J G Wright is Jones to Stocke
I S Anderson is Davice to Davice
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I H Hampshire c Hopkins to Davis

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Finney a Servey b Steele ...
Newman and

Total (7 wkts, 58 overs) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-48, 3-61, 4-124, 5-137, 6-142, 7-143. Bonus points (to date): Derbyshire 5, Glamorgan 3. Umpires: NT Plews and R A Withe



GOLF

Clark: On course for joint lead (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Clark set fair after weathering storm

Howard Clark survived conditions which at times were almost Arctic to share the lead following the first round of the Car Care Plan International at Moortown yester-day. Clark put together a one under par 68, which was equalled only by Craig Maltman, Bernhard Langer of West Germany, and Manuel Montes of Spain. Nick Faldo and Sandy Lyle, who played at either end of the day, both returned scores of 69.

Winning the Madrid Open two weeks ago has worked wonders for Clark's confidence. He covered the treacherous stretch from the 10th to the 15th without dropping a shot despite being battered by a series of squalls. That left the Yorkshireman three under par, following an outward half of 31 in which he had four birdies, but he dropped shots at two of the last three holes. Even so, It was a sterling effort. He regarded it as his finest round at Moortown. which is only three miles from his

Langer, too. felt uncomfortable as the temperature suddenly dropped. That was hardly surprising since he dressed in the morning for a summer's day with short-sleeved shirt and a thin sweater. The West German, however, restricted him-self to 29 putts, including one of 35ft for a two at the 12th for one of his

three birdies. "Ladies and gentlemen, you are allowed to applaud," barked the official starter after Faldo's prodigious opening drive which raised barely a ripple of sound from the spectators. Gradually, however, Faldo earnd their approval and appreciation with his repertoire of

His two iron to get up at the second (457 yards), when the wind was blowing straight into his face, was typical of the precise and decisive manner in which he now strikes every strike. strikes every stroke. His putting, however, lacked its usual authority, although, to be fair, he must have found the variable greens somewhat foreign after four months on the consistent American courses. consistent American courses.

On the eve of the tournament, Maliman telephoned the respected psychologist Phil Fearn, and was advised to relax and enjoy his round. This advice was reflected in the manner in which he recovered following a six at the 11th (443 yards), where he took two to escape from a bunker. Maltman swallowed his disappointment, making a birdie two at the next and another at the short 14th where he left a seven irou tee shot only eight inches away from the hole and a £10,000 prize.

But that was not quite the shot of the day. Paul Hoad's 149-yard eight iron at the 18th earned that accolade when it disappeared into the hole 25,000 prize on offer from the sponsors, which prompted Alan Longmate, their managing director, to remark "I had only been on the course two minutes when happened. I feel as if I've had my pocket picked!

Leading scores 68: C Maltmert; M Mornes (Sp); H Clark; 58: C Materian; of Montes (Sp); H Cash; B Langer (WG); 59: C Moody: N Feldo, J Hawkes (SA); E Darcy; G Brand yer; C D'Cornor (in!. 71: M Mackenzie; J Anderson (Can); I Mosey; P Hoat; K Brown; S Keppler; J Bland (SA); S Landad

Amateur investigation

The rapid growth in the popularity of got throughout the world, allied to its commercial sources, has led to the Royal and sources, has led to the Koyal and Ancient announcing the formation of a special commission to inquire into the nature of amateurism in the game (Mitchell Platts writes). Evidence from the players, including professionals, has provided the basis of a belief on the part of the Powel and Ancient that the

of the Royal and Ancient that the retention of amateur status is fundamental to the nature and spirit of the game. The commission know that there

is evidence that some of the 65 countries which come under the ambrella of the R&A have difficulty interpreting the gradual changes that have taken place in recent

So initially the Commission will approach those Golf Unions and Associations affilliated to the R&A o ascertain their views, and those of individuals, before completing the report which is expected to be submitted to the general committee in the early part of 1985.

For instance, the consultation between the Swedes, whose amateu team has received support from a motor company, and the R&A has been extremely close. The Swedes however, are regarded as the fastes moving ship in the convoy and as such, their outlook is of particular

Quite simply, there are counties, teams and individuals who have required financial assistance in order to be able to move around the world seeking the right kind of competition with which to improve. So while there is no question at this stage of golf going "open" there could be a more liberal approach so that the rules create a more framework in which to work.

turning professional simply because they have insufficient fonds to be able to keep playing. For a large number of golfers who take that step, find that within a couple of years thay would like their amatur status back.

FOR THE RECORD

CYCLING

MAGDEBURG: East Berlin-Pregue-Wersaw
Pewce Race: First teg: (East Berlin-Megdeburg. 170m) leading stage places: 1. U Raab
(EG) 4tr 37sec; 2. A Novosad (C2) 4:00-45: 3.
O Ludwig (EG) 4:00-46: British stage placings:
34. S Serion 4:00-97: 71. A Gornal; 76. T
Harris: 77. H Achworth at the same time; 99. D
Smith 4:02-59; 101. V Smith 4:03-16.
Overall placings: 1. UR Raab 4tr 9min 23sec; 2.
P Agryumev (USSR) 4:08-34; 3. N Staticov
(BUL) 4:09-37. British placings: 2.9. Gornal
4:4sec behact; 47. Harris 45sec; 89. Serion
5:7sec; 72. Ashworth 1:04min; 1:00. D Smith
3:07min; 103. V Smith 3:24min.
Leading team placings: 1. East Germany 10tr
2min 25-sec; 2. Netherlands 10-2:27; 3. West
Germany same time. Overall beam placings: 1
Soviet Union 12:28:59 br; 2. East Germany one
second behind; 3. Bulgaria 23 seconds behind
11. Britan 1:37min betind.
CRANS-MONTAMA: Tour de Romandie:
Second stage: 1. R Millar (GB) Str 25min
15sec; 2. P Simon (Pr) 5:29cc behind; 3. S
Rooks (Neth); 4. L Florum (Pr); 5. C articlus;
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Rocks (Neth); 4. L Florum (Pr); 5. C Articlus;
(Fr); 6. Rooks 0:20.
TRENTO, hely: Tour of Trentino: Lest steps:
(from Tone to Tirento): 1. P Brecoletto (fd, 6tr
22min 65sec; 2. A Segarsal (Swe), same time;
3, D Piovani (ft), same time. CYCLING

WELINGTON: Amateur International: Iroland bt New Zaokard 5-2. Results: (finland first: Banteonweight: R Neah bt J Wallaca, pts. Feather: B Lowe bt B Meehan, pts. Light: B Catrey lost to C Hunla, pts. Light-weiter: B McClean lost to M Sylas, pts. Weiter: B O Hara bt P Graham, phs. Light-middle: S Storey bt M Flaval, rd., second round; Middle: G Storey bt P Rackley, pts.

SQUASH RACKETS S-ULASH HAGIKE 15
SHKAPORE First round: P Kenyon (Eng) bt
Fahim Gul (Pak(S-6, 2-9, 9-2, 9-4; R Norman
(NZ) bt A Aziz (Egypt) 9-7, 9-3, 9-7; Mersood
Ahmad (Pak) bt R Hall (Aus) 9-5, 9-4, 9-1; S
Davenport (NZ) bt P Hall (Sing) 9-3, 8-3, 9-4.

LEAGUE Northempton

Weaver waiting in the corner

Mike Weaver, former holder of the World Boxing Association (WBA) versilou of the world heavyweight title, has agreed terms to meet Frank Brano at Wembley Arena in September. The contest is conditional on Brano heating James "Bonecrusher" Smith of America convincingly on Sunday, Mike Barrett, the promoter, said yester-day.

The contest would be partly financed by Home Box Office, the leading American cable television

good heavyweight lights in America, and they are prepared to pay accordingly" he added. "His manager, Terry Lawless, is ready to take him off the leash with a view to fighting for the world heavyweight title in 1985.

weaver, 32 years-old from Gatesville, north Carolina, is currently number three on the World Boxing Council (WBC) heavyweight list, five years after his first world title fight in which Larry Holmes stopped him in 12 rounds. He won the WBA champlonship in March 1980

Colin Jones who twice lost narrow points decision to McCrory, had a question mark over his career last month when he failed the British Boxing Board of Control's eye test. But yesterday he was granted his licence after presenting three independent reports from eye specialists to the board in London.

Eddie Thomas, his manager, said: "Collin is the No I challenger again for the world title so McCrory must give him another chance after

give him another chance after August." Jimmy Price, determined to bounce back into the British middleweight title scene, starts his campaign against Stacey McSwain, of America, at Bloomsbury on May

Bruno has Comeback holds no fears for Leonard

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Worcester, Massacunseus (Kenjer) - Two years and two days after major eye surgery, and 27 months after his last bout. Sugar Ray Leonard returns to the ring tonight, in what he describes as the months of the fillustrice. significant bout of his illustrion

In the most celebrated comeback in the most ceronauca comence since Muhammad Ali's return in 1978, following a three-year excile Leonard will meet Kevin Howard in a 10-round junior westerweigh

company. Their contribution could be up to one million dollars, provided Bruno makes a big impression in Sunday's boot, which NBC are showing in America on Sunday, Barrett said.

"Bruno will be going into a sellers' market. They are hungry for good heavyweight fights in America, and they are prepared to pay added." His not been met."

There is shill wigespread volunting over Leonard's eyes, but he has no misgivings. He said: "Tim coming back because my doctors have assured me that my eyes are as good as ever, because I know I'm going to get even better as a fighter, because I'm a competitive person who misses what I love most and because I have goals that still have not been met."

While training for a defence of his undisputed welterweight title against Roger Stafford, in May 1982, Leonard underwent surgery for a detached retina of his left eye. Six months later he annou retirement from boxing.

During preparations last February for his bout against Howard a corrective procedure was performed on Leonard's right eye.

from Philadelphia, who was ranked in the top 10 years ago, was hand picked by the former chausipon's trainer. Angelo Dundee, He hope Howard will provide a good test for Leonard – but no risk – and serve as a barometer to judge whether Leonard needs another bout before an anticipated fight with Marva Hagler, the undisputed world middleweight champion.

Howard is a boxer with brawling style and a reputaton for being cavalier about training, but he has worked hard for the Leonard contest without accepting his role as a bit player. "He has called me a stepping stone, and I don't like that." Howard said.

The 22 year-old Liverpool fighter lost his 12-fight unbeaten record last month within 90 seconds of stepping in the ring against Ayuh Kainle.

CYCLING

Russians are coming

By John Wilcockson

Yuri Kashirin, of the Soviet
Union, the winner in 1979 and
1982, returns to the Milk Race in
two weeks' time, with high hopes of
winning for a third time. Kashirin,
from Rostov, was a strong candidate
for a gold medal at the Olympic
Games, in the 100km team time
trial, before the Soviet Union
announced they were pulling out.

Crechoslovakia, Milk Race formation.

Crechoslovakia will be led by

announced they were pulling out.

Kashirin will be accompanied by
the three men with whom he won
the 100km world championship last year, Oleg Chouzda, Sergei Novolo-kin and Alexander Zinoviev. Chouzda was the second best man in the Soviet team during the Milk Race two years ago, and his climbing ability could make him a potential winner on this year's route, which contains 37 hills in the

climbers' competition. The Russians have also named their strongest Individual rider,



Millar: second leg win

Czechoslovakia will be led by Michael Clasa, who was sixth in the Milk Race last year, when he led his Milk Race last year, when me to me team to victory in the absence of the Soviet Union. A third ham amounced yesterday was that of West Germany. Only: Wener Wueller, who was a tage winner.

competed last year The Milk Race begins at Brightes on May 26, and traces an 1,100 mile Blackpool on June 9. Half of the !.

route, to the traditional finish i stages take place on steep mountain

Millar on the ascent

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Crans-Montana, Switzerlan Crans-Montana, Switzerland, (Agencies) - The Scot Robert Millar took over the leader's jorsey after winning yesterday's 100-mile second stage of the Tour de Romandia. The Belgian, Alfons de Wolf, who had led after Wednesday's stage was not among the top 10 finishers. Millar, attacked midway through the first of two climbs to this mountain resort, to build a commanding 90-second lead that was only narrowed by Pascal and a was only narrowed by Pascal and a pack of nine others near the fi Second etaiger 1, R. Maller (GB), Sirr Zörlin 16sec; 2, P. Simon (Fr), 22sec behind; 3, S. Rodes (Neth), 4, L. Pignon (Fr); 5, F. Castona (Fr); 6, N. Roerdinerni (Switz); 6. Other Bittle placing; 8, S. Roche, some time. Owent 1, Allies 1 fth 45min 13sec; 2, Fignon secretard; 3, Roche 10sec; 4, Simon 13sec; 5, G. Motte (Fr) 18sec; 6, Rooks 20sec.

SQUASH RACKETS.

Super League arrives

A £100,000 sponsorship deal will.

link local leagues this year in a pyramid framework leading to a new national Premier League.

American Express, the credit card and travel organization, will support throughout the season. One non-lead travel organization, will support each club team and local team and local team and local team. and travel organization, will support the 39 county leagues throughout Britain, as well as taking over sposorship of the SRA national league finals, which will be held this

end at likeston. Most important for the develop-ment of squash, however, is the creation of a Premier League, which

SUTTON: Hardcourt tournament: Merz Second round: D Moise (Rom) bt S Gomer 6-3, 2-6, 6-1; S Reeves bt I Vernies (F) 7-6, 6-4; K Otemoto (Jap) bt L Conseto (Br) 6-4, 6-3, Cuarter-finals: S-Shaw bt J Hervet (F) 6-3, 6-2 D Musterd (NZ) bt O Rethrasto (Fo) 6-2, 7-6; F Rocchi (R) bt B Dadison (F) 6-3, 6-2; S Brner (C2) bt G Goven (F) 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

HAMBURG: West German Open champion-ships: Second round: C Lewis (NZ) bt B Teacher (US) 4-8, 6-2, 7-5; G Visus (Arg) bt M Edmondson (Aus) 6-3, 6-1; D Karetic (W3) bt S Sorensen (Iro) 6-2, 7-5; M Wilander (Swe) bt P McNames (Aus) 7-6, 4-6, 6-2; T Sand (C2) bt E Tetacher (US) 4-6, 6-2, 7-8; L Pimek (C2) bt E Tetacher (US) 4-6, 6-2, T Nosh (F) bt T Tulsone (F) 6-4, 3-8, 7-6, G Mayer (US) bt W Mssur (Aus) 6-4, 6-2. Mindround: M Wilander (Sw) bt D Keretic (W3) 3-5, 9-0, 6-2; G Mayer (US) bt J Higueras (Sc) 6-4, 6-3; J Apullare (Sa) bt Z Kutarasziv (Has) 6-4, 6-3; T Nosh (F) bt T Smid (C2) bt W Floek (F0) 6-1, 4-5; L Pimek (C2) bt W Floek (F0) 6-1, 4-6; G-3; A Gornstz (Ec) bt F Luna (Sc) 7-6, 7-6; H Sundstrom (Sw) bt 7 Smid (C2) 5-3, 6-4; G Villas (Arg) bt A Jarryd (Swo) 4-6, 6-1, 7-6.

Wednesday's results

UEFA CUP FIRML!
First leg: Anderlecht 1, Tottenham Hotspur 1.
SECOND DIVISION: Derby County 2,
Portsmouth 0.
THRED DIVISION: Plymouth Argyle 3, Bradford

0. SCOTTISM PREMIER DIVISION: Aberisen 9. Rangers 0; Neart of Addication 1, Dundon 1. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Bolton 2 Evergor 0, Second division: Rotherham 1

Wolverton 3.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Arsensi 3.

pewich 1: Luton 1, Birmingham 0. ESSEX SENSOR CUP FINAL: Clapton 1,

UEFA CUP FINAL:

Promotion and relegation of two clubs each year will guarante connection between the "super league" and the country leagues. according to the SRA chie executive. Bob Morris, who we comed the development as "as comed the development as "as geauine breakthrough for the game

BADMINTON

England benefit from home upset From Richard Eaton

Knala Lumpur Indonesia yesterday made certain of their place in the last four of the Thomas Cup finals, sponsored her by Marlboro, with a 5-0 win over the home team, Malaysia. One of the noisiest crowds in the world was silenced and went streaming into the emptiness of the night well before the demoralizing end. The result will give conditionable encouragement to England as they prepare to meet the Malaysian, who have waited two years for revenge after their last meeting. Misbun Sidek, the millionaire of Malaysian badminion, had already had one nervously unconvincing evening against Japan, yet there were pre-match reports of the sensation it would beit be and Sensation it would beit be and Ong Beng Teong lost both the top singles. That, against the three-times All-England champion Liem Swie King and the World Cup finalist Hastomo Arbi, was always a possibility

possibility.

The pressure of expectations upon the Malaysians is now dangerously great, as The England manager, Circ Ciniglio, well knows. He has fuelled it with widely reported tectical boasts about how England: expect to repeat their achievement last time in reaching the last four.

المبارات فراج بالأسانة للاستهمائج والزار

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-39, 2-87, 3-208, 4 272, 5-278, 6-273, 7-331, 8-370, 9-370, BOWLING: Garlick, 23-3-104-1; Granes, 17-5-24-1; Cotternal, 9-0-45-0; Golding, 28.1-3-100-2' Siddigi, 23-5-90-5. 'pires: B Leadbeater and P B Wicht.

Oxford dispel the fears

Short fuse: another explosive pull from Smith (Photograph:

hand, are 162 runs behind Middle-

It looked like the same old story when Oxford lost their night watchman. Hewitt, caught bat and pad off Williams, in the second over csterday. Well, here we go, we said, follow-on in the middle of the afternoon, looking for early trains. Not a bit of it. I am pleased to say. Williams and Hughes bowled well

enough, and Emburey, when he came for a long nagging spell, even better. But Edbrooke from Hertford and Toogood from Lincoln (both colleges in the Turk which in my time was regarded as a neglible area for athletic purposes) made a

Middlesex did drop several catches, none of them too difficult, hut the terrors of the Turl kept banging the ball around, and were not separated until Edbrooke was caught at forward short leg When Foogood was leg before at 175, the question of the follow-on, which had been remote, suddenly returned. Middlesex crowded the

held on until tea, by which time Oxford were 197 for six, needing only 13, with 83 overs bowled. Then, at tea, it began to rain, It had been a pleasant sunny morning, and we did not take the light drizzle too seriously to begin with, but it grew heavy and relentless. It was a epressing end to the day, and it had been a depressing beginning too, for The Star had been narrowly beaten Valley shove-halfpenny cup. My informants tell me we had shocking luck, and were dead out of form. Neither of these considerations

applied to Oxford. MIDDLESEX: First innings 359 for 6 dec (W N Stack 145, M W Garting 102 not out, M D ey 4 for 65) DXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings

OKPORD UNIVERSITY: First In M A Cullman run out.
A M Edbrooke c Stack b Embursy.
S Hewite Stack b Williams
G J Toogood Ho-w b Embursy
K A Hayse c Stack b Hughes.
J D Care Embursy b Williams
D A Thome not out
LI G Franks not out
Extras (b1. Hb 3, w 1. n-b 10) Total (Swids) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-19, 3-129, 4-136, 5-156, 6-175. Umpires: A A Jones and D Ö Öslear.

Cambridge University v Warwickshire AT FENNER'S CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings 181 (N Gifford 4 for 52) Second Innings A E Lea not out...... T Travers not out...... Extres (I-b 4).......

Total (no wid) ... S N Siddiqi, M N Breddy, D G Price, †A G Davies, A K Golding, 1 G Pack, T A Cotterell, A D H Grimes and P Garlick to bat.

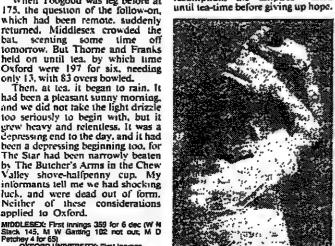
Total (9 wkts dec) ... ford dic not bat

Bairstow brightens up a day of fitful rain By Richard Streeton

J D Love & Roberson h Hadee Two brief periods of cricket. first-invines wickets in totalling 25 minutes, were enough yesterday for Yorkshire to obtain a fourth batting bonus point. They then declared, but only 10 balls were possible when Nottinghamshire went in before rainstorms prevented further play. Bairstow, as batsman and captain, has done everything possible so far but there will have to

be a great deal of collusion now if the teams are to get a definite result. Yorkshire, resuming at 173 for four, lost Love straight away to a catch at cover, but Carrick stayed as his captain hit freely. Bairstow's strokes included a straight six against Rice, a reminder of his partiality quick bowling. There is a justifiably strong belief in the Ridings that England should only look in one direction if they want a

wicketkeeper-batsman for this summers one day matches. The Yorkshire total was 293 when rain brought the first stoppage for 75 minutes. After the brief resumption, the umpires waited



Hardie: out for 99 Gladwin and Hardie fall in the nineties

NORTHAMPTON: Essex. with three first innings wickets in hand, lead Northamptonshire by 139 runs Chris Gladwin and Brian Hardie were out when approaching their centuries as Essex piled on the runs Essex reached 349 for seven when rain stopped play just before tea, leaving them well placed. Hardie and Pringle put on 100 for the fifth wicket and Pringle raised the 300 with a six off Williams.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 210 (DIE Capel 51; N A Fosser 6 for 79). S McEwan c Sharp b Hanley R Hardie I-b-w b Ha marcie i-o-w b Hanley..... Pringle c Steele b Hanley. urner not out ____ E East c Lamb b Mallender ster not out as (n b 9, I-b 11, w 1, n-b 11).....

Total (7 wicts) Lever and D Acfield to bat. Score at 100 overs: 341 for 7. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-17, 3-145, 4-213, 5-313, 6-316, 7-341. Bonus points: Northamptonshire 5, Essex 8. Umpires: P J Eele and K E Palmer.

HEADINGLEY: Nottinghamshire, with all first innings wickets in hand, are 296 runs behind Yorkshire.

Carncl. not out ______ Extras (b 2, I-b 5, = 4, n-b 7).____ Total (5 wids dec, 90.5 overs) Sidebottom, I G Swallow, S J Dennis and S D FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-58, 3-175, 4-187, 5-277.

BOWLING: Hadlee 18.5-4-62-1; Rice 18-3-55-1; Cooper 26-9-63-0; Sexeby 23-7-80-2, Hemmings 5-0-22-0. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First limings Crown & T. Han online W Randell, "C E B Rice. J D Birch, B Hassen, J Hadlee, 18 N French, E E Herrerings, K useby and K E Cooper to bet.

Bonus points (to date): Yorkshire 4, Northghamistire 2. Umplies: H D Bird and J W Holder. Agnew finds new life in new season

LEICESTER: Worcestershire, with four first innings wickers in hand, are 112 runs behind Leicessershire. Rain halted Leicestershire's progress at lunch yesterday. Worces-tershire were struggling at 144 for six when play was abandoned for the day. Agnew, who took only 23 first class wickets last year, increased this season's haul to 21 with three for 41 from ten overs. He dismissed Curtis with the fifth ball of the day, then accounted for Weston and Smith and saw Neale

Cook then took the next three wickets. Only Patel and D Oliveira offered some resistance before Leicestershire: First Innings 256 for 9 dec (M A Gamham 57 not out) WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings Weston Ho-w b Agnew...... Curt's c Garnham b Agnew...... D M Smith b Agreev
D N Patel c Haysman b Cook
P A Neal c Garnhari b Cook
D B D'Oliveira c Wiley b Cook
D J Humphnes not out

dropped at slip.

10 J Humphares R K Alingworth Extras (b 3, Hb 7, w 4, ti-b 7)...... Total (6 wkts. 53 overs) ______ 144
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-47, 3-70, 4-83, 5-96, 6-142. Bonus points (to date): Leicestershire 4 Wordsmitchire 2. Umpires: R Julien and M J Kitchen.

OTHER MATCH
LORD'S: MCC 245 for 3 dec (R T Hart 103, Saig Mohammad Sc not out. M E Gear 52); MCC Young Cncketters 105 for 4, (G K Brown 46 not out. M Blackett 40), Drawn. Today's fixtures CRICKET 11 0 to 5.30 or 6.8

County Championship DERBY: Derbyshire v Gla SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Glouce OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Kent LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Worcestershire NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Essex HOVE: Sussex v Surrey HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Nottinghamshire FENNER'S: Cambridge University w Warwick

THE PARKS: Oxford University v Middlesex

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BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: New York Yankes 11,
Chicago White Sox 4: Seattle Mariners 4,
Cakland Athletics 1: Betimore Orioles 7,
Formino Bay Jays 4, Jand 7-37, Chicago White
Sox 7, Milwaukee Browers 6 (and 5-4); Detroit
Tigers 3, Kaness Cty Roye's 1: Boston Red
Sox 2, Texas Rangers 8; Minnesota Twins 5,
Cationna Angels 2.

MATIONAL LEAGUE: Chicago Cube 7, Los
Angeles Doogers 0; Conomial Reds 6,
Monteol Expos 4: New York Mets 3, Adarta
Braves 1: San Diago Padres 3, St Lous
Cardinals 2: Houston Astros 7, Privadelpria
Philips 1.

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Detage and T Porey (Fr); 2, J Schoenherr and
M Poutson (Den); 3, Jorgen and Jacob Molier
(Den); 4, M Boust and 8 Gandothe (Fr); 5, R
cher and F Nerborne (Fr); 8, A Schwarz and
P Froeschi (WG). British placing: 8, J Turner
and K Flohardson.
SALOU, Speins European 479 Champloraships:
Second race: 1, P Koskuli and J Koskuli (Fri);
2, S Brokman and E Friedlander (Graed); 3, J
Oeticen and 8 Oeticen (WG).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Sudarova (Cz) br K Rinski (US) 4-6, 6-0, 1-0, Rinskii retired hurt.
TORYC: Mer: First round: S Davis (US) bt G Holmes (US) 7-8, 6-1. Women: H Mandiflova (Cz) br A White (US) 8-2, 6-1.
FLORENCE: Second round: F Cancellotti (II) br I Hassai (Swizz) 6-1, 6-2. D de Miguel (So) bt G Urd (So) 0-8, 6-2, 6-3: M Dickson (US) bt H Glidemetster (Chile) 6-3, 1-6, 7-2: D Crimpo (II) br H Simonsoon (Swe) 6-4, 6-7, 6-2, G Mezzadri (II) bt B Nation (SA) 8-2, 3-8, 8-2; I Benhabida (Fr) br K Carlson (Swe) 1-6, 6-2, 6-2, S Simonsson (Swe) br S Colombo (II) 6-4, 7-5; J Brown (US) bt C Cassalian (Ang) 6-3, 6-3, SUTTON: Hardcourt tournassent: D Biolose (Rom) br S Goroer 6-3, 0-6, 6-1; S Reseves bt I Vernises (Fr) 7-8, 8-4; K Ckanado (Jep) bt L Corasto (Era) 8-4, 8-3.

TENNIS

LUGANC: Women's Swiss Open: Second round: M Mesker (Nedh) bt A Cacchini (M 8-3, 7-5; M Makiyen (Sui) bt C Jobessm (Switz) 8-0, 6-1; E Inque (Jan) bt S Hanka (WG) 8-3, 6-3; Reggi (N bt M Jausovec (Yug) 3-5, 7-6, 6-3; Butlandva (CX) bt K Rinskil (US) 4-6, 6-0, 1-0.

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SOUTH EAST COUNTIES SENIOR LEAGUE, CUP final, second leg: Cheisse 1, West Ham 2 (Cheisse win 6-2 on acgregate).

YUGGELAY CUP FINAL: First leg: Hejduk 2, Cheisse Man 2 on acgregate). YUGOSLAY 1.
Red Start 1.
SWISS LEAGUE: Cup semi-finals: Lausanné
1, St Gallen (F, Aurul C, Sorvetta Geneva C,
LIBERTADORES CUP: Semins 1, Adetico Comebac holds no fears for Leonard

EQUESTRIAN Elite is back in place of honour

《西班牙》

By Jenny MacArthur

After two defeats in hunter clampionships this season, the South Essex Insurance Broker's outstanding middleweight hunter, Elite, rieden by Vin Toulson, resumed his customary position at the head of the hunter line up when he took the hunter championship. sponsored by Bailey's Irish Cream, at the Royal Windsor Horse Show

yesterday.
The heavyweight gelding. The Senator, owned by Mrs Woods and N Trevithick and ridden by David Tatlow, stood reserve. The quality seven-year-performed beautifully, it is his misfortune that he should

is his misfortune that he should appear on the scene at the same time as the incomparable Eitie.

Although Elite, the hunter of the year in 1983, got off to a slow start this season — he was reserve champion at Taplow, where Toulson was reluctant to gallop him on the hard ground, and was reserve at the Newark and Notts on Wednesday—there was little doubt about the outcome when Elite came before the judges. Mr A. Steward and Mr C. R. Saunders, The grey gelding, who looks like a rocking horse with his perfect head carriage and pointed cars, gave a display of exemplary manners and a copybook ride for Toulson.

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There was no surprise in the povice and lightweight classes won, respectively, by Firework Night, ridden by Toulson, and Celtic Gold, shown by Robert Oliver. The latter is only five, but fully justified to the lightweight class rather than the povice.

A newcomer to the heavyweight scene was the South Essex insurance broker's Hold Fast, who stood second shown by Toulson. This was the seven-year-old gelding's first big outing, and suggests him as a future.

the poor attendance in yester-day's hunter classes was stributed by many of the exhibitors to the doubling of the entry fee – it is now £20 – but Mr Geoffrey Cross, the show's chairman, blaued the hard ground. Mr Cross, who has been chairman since the show started in 1943, and who it is result. 1943, and who is largely responsible for Windsor's status as the leading outdoor show, said yesterday that increased entry fees were necessary S are com "to balance the books".

Last year, the show cost £219,000

distant.

to put on, and it made "a substantial ioss". Mr Cross was confident that the various changes made this year, along with the sponsor's £115,000,

along with the sponsor's £115,000, would bring a profit.

At all costs. Mr Cross is determined to keep the show's unique atmosphere. "I look upon Windsor as the Queen's show, and it is obligatory that it should be maintained in the way it always has been", he said. The Queen will visit the show on each of the remaining three days.

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MEAVYWEIGHT MUNTER: 1, The Sensior (D. Tadow) 2, Hold Fast (V. Toulson) 3. What a major (H. Glogell).

BAILEYS (RISH CREAM STAKES: 1, Danemers (P. Crago) 0 in 44.24 2, Fingo (V. Whitaker) 0 in 44.99 3, Our Baytime (J. Brown) CLASS III INTERNATIONAL

COMPETTION 1, Cogshall Spot On (V Whitaker) 0 in 48.48; 2, Flying Wild (M Amstrong) 4 in 43.51; 3, Kington One Off (E Macrae) 4 in 44.33.

ATHLETICS

Ikangaa is early bird

for marathon

By Pat Butcher

If Juma Ikangaa keeps as far ahead of schedule as he was in his arrived in London for Sunday's marathon the Tanzanian will break the course record and any Briton staying with him to the end will be created as place in the Olympic marathon in Los Angeles this summer.

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Two years ago lkangaa arrived at Heathrow just as the race was getting underway in Greenwich. He took no chances this year. He 402 3101-03 NEORUGN (Capt M Lamos) C British 4-9-7 PRobinson 3 arrived with three days in hand, en 404 623-000 AMLIAMS (B) (G Shoemark) R Harrion 4-9-9 PCook 7 route for Tanzania from # 10,000

route for Tanzania from \$ 10,000 metres track race in Tokyo last weekend where he ran 28min 23,29sec. Ikangaa, the Commonwealth silver medal winner, is in the same mould as his hero, Filbert Bayi, a 5ft 5in lightweight and a confirmed front range. As a stillery lightweight front runner. An artillery lieutenant Bayi's bithplace, near Kilimanjaro. In the Commonwealth Games marathon he led Robert de Castella

It was not until the last 30 metres that Ikangaa was passed by Toshthiko Seko in the Tokyo Marathon last February, but Ikangaa set his best time of 2hr 8min 55sec in finishing second to

yesterday, Ikangaa's sixth marathon on Sunday will probably follow the same pattern. He has nothing to prove to his country's selectors - he capable of 2hr 10min, and that is the sort of time that the British men

event, which sponsored by Mars, but Jones has been consistently the most highly placed Briton in international races and championinternational races and champion-ships in the last three years, and Smith's runaway win in Boston, and 27,62se. narrow defeat in New York, in a new British best, should make him a

Certainty.
Chris Bunyan, like Smith a

Supporters of Sandy Island, Henry Cecil's Oaks candidate, will be looking for a compli-ment from Rowa in this afternoon's Esal Bookmakers Oaks Trial Stakes at Lingfield Park. Sandy Island had Rowa three and a half lengths back in third place after an authoritative victory in last Friday's Pretty Polly Stakes over 10 furlongs at Newmarket.

. Rowa made most of the running in that event but was quickly swallowed up by Sandy Island, once Lester Piggott set alight Lord Howard de Walden's promising filly two furlongs from home. However, Rowa stuck to her task gamely and looked certain to finish second until Dick Hern's oneeyed Cassandra made up a lot of ground in the closing stages 10 take the minor honours.

It is likely that Walter Swinburn will hold up Rowa for a late challenge this time, and with another of Michael Stoute's fillies, Malaak, winning Wednesday's Cheshire Oaks so impressively the Newmarket trainer could have a strong hand in the premier fillies classic, which he won in 1978 with Fair Salinia.

Hern gave notice at Chester that his stable are finding their form after a slow start to the season and his Secret Way, who won at York on her first appearance as a two-year-old. must be respected. Guy Har-wood's well-bred Spinelle will appreciate the chance to bring her stamina into play over this

extended trip.
Incidentally, it was bad luck
on Jim Bolger, the Irish trainer. that he was unable to run Rustic Lace in the trial after she had badly cut herself when cast in her box yesterday morning. However Spinelle fares, Harwood should be on the

Draw: Up to 1m high numbers best

Tota: Double 3.15, 4.15, Trebia: 2,45, 3,45, 4.45.

GOING:

LINGFIELD PARK

[Televised (BBC1) 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45]

2.15 TENDER KING MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £2,943: 5f) (11 runners)

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DOUBLE LIBITT (J Marshall) A Jarvis 9-0
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NALI (G Colemna) P Butler 9-0
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OVERTRUMP (I' Abouts) G Herwood 9-0
SUPER REGAL (Mrs N Lewis) G Lewis 9-0
VAGELY DH (Mary Ledy Coborne) J Superities 9-0
LINGSHELD LADY (Slower Bloodstock) C Brambin 3-11
THEN VAIL EYER 9-0 G Starkey (8-1) G Herwood 8 ren-

7-4 Overtrump, 4 Andi Alja, 11-2 Super Regal, 8 No Rebate, 10 Valgty On, 14 Montanio, 20

Lingfield selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Overtramp. 2.45 Miami Prince. 3.15. Rowa. 3.45 SERHEED (nap). 4.15 Premier Coup. 4.45 Bold Realm.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 No Rebate. 2.45 Canif. 3.15 Rowa. 3.45 True Heritage. 4.15 Nazech. 4.45 Tokaldo.

WARNERS HOLIDAYS HANDICAP (3-y-o; £5,142: 6f) (8)

1868 Abolt 8-7 P Eddery (avens tay) J Tree 6 ran.

2 Mianta Primos, 3 Cantil, 9-2 Native Hero, 11-2 Spring Pastures, 8 Amigo Loco, 14 Lats,
FORM: BPRIMG PASTURES (8-7) 7Vs to Snow Card (6-7) (Polkestone 6f, E326, good, Oct 11).

LALA (8-13) out of first 9 to Alev (9-2) (Sandown 5f, E3350, good to firm, Apr 27). BHAMI PRINCE
(7-12) short head winner from Saturetan (8-11) with ANY BUSINESS (9-3) out of first 9 (Newmarket 8). E3317, good to firm, Apr 27). PICHINCHA (8-7) 8th to MIANE PRINCE (8-11) (Notingham 6f, E2255, good to firm, Apr 17). PICHINCHA (8-7) 8th to MIANE PRINCE (8-11) (Notingham 6f, E2255, good to firm, Apr 17). PICHINCHA (8-7) 8th to Blotby Dezzer (8-4) Epanor 7f, E2935, good, E37, MARING (8-7) 8th to Blotby Dezzer (8-4) Epanor 7f, E2935, firm, Apr 29).

Previously (7-15) head venner from Clambre (9-0) with MIANE PRINCE (8-2) a further 2 back in 5th (Newbury 8f, E3681, good, Apr 13). Askiso LOCO (8-1) 31 4th to Gentle Gypsy (9-7) (Notiverhampton 5f, E353, soft, Oct 19).

3.15 ESAL BOOKMAKERS OAKS TRIAL (Group III: 3-y-o filles: £19,858:

Results from Chester

4.15CH.TON HANDICAP (£3.661: 50)

Also Ran: 6 Durandal, 13-2 Saint Crespin Bey, 8 Bolyan Sound (6th, 10 Bri-Eden, Pergode Hith, 14 Ismore (6th), 10e Bei-10 ran, 5h hd, 2½, hd, sh hd, D Thom at Newtranket, TOTE: Wit: 25,60, Places: 22,20, 22,80, 2:130, DF: 237,80, CSF: 256,67 TRICAST: 2205.13, 1m 01 79sec.

3.45 TENDER HEART HANDICAP (23,168: 1m 4f) (10)

2.45 ORMONDE STAKES (Group III: £15,648:

TREDOSO b c by Youth ~ Furbso(E Moller)
4.9.4 — Pat Esdery (17-8 fav)
1 Kheirpour or h by Arcas Tem ~ Khayra (H H Aga Khari) 5-9.4 — S Cauthen (100-30)
2 Trainagh b c by Reliano — Much Pleasure
(Lady Beavertrook) 4.8-10 — W Carson (7-4)

Also Rest: 33 Regal Steel (4th), 100 Mill Plantetion (5th)...5 ran. 11/1, 31, 31, 51. G Wragg

at Newmarket. TOTE: Whi: \$2.00. Places: \$1.50, \$1.00. DP: £3.50. CSP: £3.58. 2m 51.9258C.

3.15 LADBROKE HOTELS HANDICAP STAKES
S-y-c. 64.064:71)

ELECTRIFYING by by Formidable —
Edelletts (P Goulandria) 7-8 — J. Lowe (5-1) 1
Young Romance (N Westbrock) 7-8
L Crumock (9-2) 2

Young Romanics (N Westbrook) 7-8

L Charmock (9-2) 2

Meeter Driver or or or by Absalom —
Shelton Song (A Crawford) 7-7 —M Fry (12-1) 3

Also Rare 4 tay Seigneur, 15-2

Alghazaylah 8 Welsh Wills. 10 Emmonory
Pumber (Sm), Taygetus (4th), 12 Seiling high,
14 Himself, Majoo's Image (6th), 20 Maratir's
Hollow, 12 ran. 44, 3, nk, 2, 44. P Calver at
Recon.

Overtrump, who has been pleasing on the Pulborough gallops. Harwood's only two-

Paul Cole's borses have been running exceptionally well re-cently and Mismi Prince (2.45) and Serbeed (3.45), both winners last time, should add to the Lambourn trainer's tally.

(BBC)

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competitive sprint handicap at Newmarket last week, is ex-pected to defy an 8lb-penalty in the Warners Holidays Handicap despite the presence of Native Hero, who, before disappointing at Epsom, had beaten the Chester winner Clantime in a driving finish at Newbury. Scrheed showed his well-being with a four-length victory at Kempton Park last Saturday

Another trainer in top form is the Newmarket-based Patrick Haslam, who has high hopes of a double at Hamilton Park with Foreigner (4.0) and Wang Feihoong (5.30). Watch out, too, for another Newmarket raider. Tha, trained by Michael Jarvis and taking a drop in class to run in the Levy Board Maiden Apprentice Stakes.

Apprentice banned

Gary Megaskill, an apprentice ockey attached to Neville

from racing for six months by the jockey club yesterday. The disciplinary committee heard that Mcgaskill had been convicted of their from the stable lad's hostel at Ayr racecourse, Any criminal offence constitutes a breach of the rules of racing. The committee tempered the sentence by allowing Megaskill to continue to work in the stable,

Charlie Nelson, the Lambourn trainer, reports that the temperature of his beaten 1,000 Guineas

favourite Mahogany has now been normal for two days. "But in condition, she looks as though she's been round Aintree." said Nelson.

Teenoso maintains family tradition

Epsom triumph since blakeney in 1970 when capturing the Ormonde Stakes yesterday. This was the third consecutive family triumph in this historic race, Geoffrey Wrage's father. Harry Wragg, having also won the trophy with Pelerin and Six Mile Bottom in 1981 and '\$2. The meeting was chandoned last wear

meeting was abandoned last year.
Recording his first victory since
Epsom. Teenoso accomplished his
task with a minimum of fuss. Regal Sicel took over from the pacemaker, Mill Plantation, at halfway. Quick-ening to lead approaching the straight. Teenoso beat Khaipur by one and a half lengths. Trakady, the heavily-backed second favourite, stayed on to take third place, a

Pat Eddery was full of praise for the winner, "He has got to be a good horse. He is so brave and genuine. But he wasn't doing a tap in front. He has got very lazy. I noticed it when I rode him in a gallop at Newmarket last week."

Wragg deserves every accolade for his handling of Teenoso. The cost only ran twice after his Epsom triumph, having finished third to Shareef Dancer in the Irish Sweeps Derby and having occupied the same position behind Seymour Hicks in the Great Voltigeur Stakes at York last August. "He had a problem after York and the vets never really got to it. He was just desperately sore on his off shin. He had Magneto Pulse treatment and rest and was all right after six

weeks."
Teenoso is now on target for the Teenoso is now on target for the rest of his fighting programme this season. "He will run in the Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot if the ground is not too firm. After that he will go for the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe", the trainer continued. Eric Moller, Teenoso's owner-breeder had made a special journey.

breeder, had made a special journey from Hongkong to watch his hero's victory "You've got to come on these occasions. You can't miss

No further clues about this year's

Tecnoso became the first Derby
winner to run at Chester after his
Epsom triumph since Blakeney in
in the early stages, Darell McHargue in the early stages, Darell McHargue drove Trial By Error past the post half a length in front of Ministerial. Seismic Wave finished third, Kalim a disappointing fifth and only about three lengths covered the first six

horses home.
"If it's left to me, Trial By Error won't go to Epsom," said Luca Cumani, the winning trainer. "He could have a hard race there to finish lifth or sixth. I'd rather keep the colt for the Prince of Wales's Stakes or the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot."

Steve Cauthen is in line for the Derby ride on Henry Cecil's Claude Monet. His retaining trainer, Barry Hills said at Chester "It doesn't look as though I will have a runner in the Derby, so I've told Steve he is free to ride what he wants.

Cauthen rode Claude Monet to a narrow victory in the Heathorn Stakes at Newmarket, and will ride the colt in next Wednesday's Mecca Dante Stakes at York.

Guy Harwood said that Ministerial would next go for the Predominate Stakes and Barry Hills also announced the Goodwood race as a likely objective for Seismic Wave, "He'll have to show some spark there or he certainly won't go for the Derby," said the Lambourn

rainer.
Followers of the Malton trainer
Pat Rohan had their first strike of
the meeting when Mark Birch rode
Mavahra to a three-quarter length
victory over Marching Moor in the
Sceptre Fillies Stakes.

A companyitive race for the

Sceptre Fillies Stakes.

A competitive race for the Ladbroke Hotels Handicap was won by John Lowe on Elecrifying, who made every yard of the running. "That's my first ever visit to Chester," said Peter Calver, the winning trainer. "Judged by the way that Electrifying handled the track, we'll certainly come back again."

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After the start of the Oulton Handicap had been delayed for 10 minutes while Golden Flute, wo had been pulled up lame after the Dee Stakes, was led off the course, Philip Robinson rode All Is Forgiven for a chort head with ever Bernard Stulley. Derby, however, were provided by short head win over Bernard Sunley

HAMILTON PARK Draw: middle to high numbers best

APPRENTICE 2.30 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £850: 1m 40yd) (7 runners) THA (B) M Jarve 8-7 V Smith NODOUBLE'S DANCER J W Watts 8-4 A Gorman

1983: No corresponding meeting.

10-11 Khachatunan, 7-4 Baby Boy, 6 Modoubles Dancer, 12 Tha.

Domanus, 16 others.

Hamilton selections

By Mandarin 2.30 Tha. 3.0 Easy Star. 3.30 Your Choice. 4.0 Dubovsky, 4.30 Sandy Reef. 5.0 Herradura. 5.30 Wang

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Baby Box. 3.0 Easy Star. 3.30 Tempster. 4.0
Foreigner. 5.0 First Banquet. 5.30 Wang Feihoong.
Michael Seely's selection: 5.30 Wang Feihoong.



3.30 BARBICAN HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,218: 1m 40yd)



9.4 Camden Lad, 100-30 Indian Dawn, 4 What's in Store, 7 Sh Remark, 8 Music Wonder, Sempster, 10 K-Battery, 16 others. 4.0 EARL OF ANGUS SELLING STAKES (2-y-o-

9-4 Ivan-Jo, 5-2 Anthesta, 4 Bantal Buccaneer, 5 Foreigner, Majowski, 10 others.

4.30 MANDORA MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £1,081: 51)



5.0 SCOTTISH RIFLES MAIDEN STAKES (£1,099)



30 CAMERONIANS HANDICAP (\$2,137.
3 45-02 WANG FEHOONG (D) (BF) F Hastam 4-9-8 G Duffield
G Duffield
G Downer Comper 5.30 CAMERONIANS HANDICAP (£2,197: 1m 4f) (8)

2 Wang Feltopong, 7-2 Hazel Bank, 9-2 Highern Grey, 6 Jendon Purns Mel, 8 Carters Way, 12 others.

Three National Hunt meetings

Stratford 6.0 RADWAY CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURBLE (£636, 2m) 5-2 Tancred Walk, 7-2 Minibark, 5 Picotes, 13-2 Silent Echo. SELECTIONS Gilly Mandam? 6 0 SelECTIONS GIVE. 7-30 Plenetman 6 0 Jack Billmer. 8:38 Fir For A King. Newton Abbot

Evens Prp. 4 Jack Billmeir. & Cornor's Rock, 8 High 8.30 DXHILL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,240:

2.30 M & W TORBAY NOVICE HURDLE (4-y-a: £633: 2m 5f 110yd) (7 runners) 7-4 Winenever, 5-2 Celtic Story, 7-2 Proudest Diana, 5 Little Bert. 3.0 NGSSELBROOK & WESTON NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (E2,469: 2m 150yd) [14] 2 Prescent Wood, 4 Gragarz Lad, 9-2 Kyrstn, 11-2 Linguit North.

HURDLE (£702: 2m 150yd) (16)

NEWTON ASSOT SELECTIONS (by Membern) 230 Cellus Story, 3.0 Gragars Lai. 3.30 Rhydimic Pactures 4.0 Dicty Blob. 4.30 Maggle Dec. 5.0 Deathy Form GOING: hard 5.45 FISHBURN CONDITIONAL ADDREYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE \$431: 2m 4f)

11-8 Chaperon, 5-2 Sunspeed, 9-2 Wimsey, 8 Le 6.15 FERGUSON FOSTER NOVICE CHASE 4-5 Another Wager, 6-5 Tratalgar Bill, 14 Water. Beacon, 25 Key Hariter. 5 45 E A CLAYTON LTD HANDICAP CHASE (\$1,407: 2m 41) (5) 6-4 Sood Grack, 5-2 Vale Challenge, 4 Jamery Corps, 11-2 San Malo. 7.15 SOLMERE HANDICAP CHASE (£1,255:

111 Powder Henr 7-11-7 Mr N futry 7 top Carry Wood 19-11-4 Mr N Sabbage 4
41 La Bapet 9-11-2 R Lemb
EM Wood Free (8) 9-10-6 Storey 8-11 Foundar Horn, 15-6 La Bosuf, 10 Who's Free, 12 Corby Wood 7.45 STANLEY THOMPSON MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (£879: 3m 600yd) (8)

311 Radiony Parada 9-12-1 (8 at)
600 Finz Auril 3-11-7 ... J. L. Goulder,
633 Class Wiley 6-112 ... Mr. J. Ward
648 Options (8) 8-10-12 ... J. J. O'Nens
6500 Indiagram 12-10-8
630 Air Reparts 5-10-1 ... G. Grand Evens Rodney Parade, 11-4 Glan Willy, 6 Optimum 8 15 SEEDLING NOVICE HURDLE 5618: 27

021 Delis tete Wate 7-11-5 ______ C Grant 628 Beau Lyou 6-11-0 _____ R Lamb 628 Chaptisher Wooder 5-11-0 Mr R J Baggan 4 Mandonable 9-11-0 _____ A Debrota 4-9 Belle işle Welk, 5-2 Bezu Lyon, 12 Kinglisher Wonder, 14 Mentionable. Wonder, 14 Membrophie. SEDSF78ELD SELECTIONS (By Marcierin): 5.45 Lex Kelly. 6.15 Tradalgar 89. 6.45 Good Crack. 7.15 La Social. 7.45 Rodney Parace. 8.15 Belle Isle Walk.

England be home of the Japanese.
Although he was loath to admit it

is already going to Los Angeles, with Gidemas Shahanga and Agapius Masong making a most impressive trio for Tanzania - but he is fully must do to have any chance of displacing Geoff Smith and Hugh Jones, when the three selections are made early next week.

Neither are running in London

student in the United States, echoed the uncertainty of the selectors' policy statements, and thus of the contenders for what could be the last team place, when he returned home yesterday and said, "It is hard." home yesterday and said, "It is hard to forsee how the selectors will select." But he readily admitted that he had to think in terms of running three lowers of running three lowers. It is a select. The head to think in terms of running three selects. The lower selects are the lower select. The lower selects are the lower selects are the lower selects. The lower selects are the lower selects are the lower selects. The lower selects are the lower selects are the lower selects are the lower selects are the lower selects. The lower selects are the lower selects. The lower selects are the low





Double chance: Serheed, fancied to follow up his recent Kempton victory in today's Tender Heart Stakes at Lingfield Chamberlain's stable, was banned

year-old runners so far this term. Old Baily and Solo Native, have both scored impressively.

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mark in the opening Tender Miami Prince, who gamely King Maiden Stakes with held Saturnian's challenge in a

Penalized only 4lb for that success, this course and distance winner looks the best bet of the

1983: North Briton 4-7-7 D McNay (8-1) C British 12 ran.
8-4 Sortheed, 7-2 Neonon, 4 No-U-Turn, 11-2 Suration Place, 8 Jimjams, 10 Sir Humphrey.
FORM: NEORION (8-10) under 31 3rd to Clarinsiner (8-7) at Neydock less Saunday (1m 41, 12),054.
firm, May 5, C in the same day at Xempton SERRIED (8-0) and NO-U-TURN (8-7) 9 back in 4th, 1981AMS (8-7) further 10 sorth in 6th and SEGRISKY (8-6) 7th when comfortable in bay winner (1m 4t, 23,947, pood, May 5), in 1983 SEGRISKY (7-6) 7th when comfortable in bay winner (1m 4t, 512,652, good, May 5), in 1983 SEGRISKY (7-7) was about 11-3 3rd to Aar (8-7) at Doncaster when TRUS HERITAGE (7-7) was 11th (1m 4t, 512,652, good, Nov 5), STRATPORD PLACE (7-7) only weekered inside final bring when about 51-4 4th 10 Say Final (8-10) at Sandown (1m 6), 54,123, good to Irm. Apr 27), GLENHAWK (8-6) started Nowly but kept on well to be 31-4 5th 10 Say Final (8-10) at Northingham (1m 5), £1,705, firm, May 1), Selection SHERHED.

4.15 GINEVRA STAKES (3-y-o: £2,180: 71) (20)

4.45 SLEEPING PARTNER HANDICAP (£2.049: 6f) (25)

601	02100-0	IT'S A PLEASURE (Mrs M Hunt) W Wightman 4-10-0
603	03040-0	RUMZ (D.B) (Mass A Stephenson) P Butter 4-9-3
604	00300-0	SPANISH POINT (D.B) (Mrs E Bays) D Sasse 5-9-1
505	00300-0	THE WARRIOR (G Moore) A Ingham 4-9-1
607	10040-0	TOKAIDO (T Corty) M Ryan 4-9-0
608	0001-32	HEATHER CROFT (D) (J Norman) R Hannon 4-8-13
609	3002-0	ORYX MINOR IN Training & Meter 4-8-13 Water M. Wahem
610	0200-42	BOLD REALM (BF) (A Morton) A Jarvis 3-8-12Pat Eddery
611	300100-	
612	D40010-	TIN BOY (D) (T Fry) D Ringer 5-8-10
613	00000-0	
518	300030-	A AMEAD (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 4-8-7 B Rouse
521	1400-00	LORD SCRAP (C.D) (B Swatu B Swrit 8-8-5 F Seargern 7
623	03-0	DORNEY (Miss L Entis) A Davison 4-8-2
624	00306-	PURPLE SONG (J Hurt) C Draw 3-8-1 A Mackey
627	000-02	KASSAK (C.D) (A Jones) P Ashworth 8-7-12
628	0003-12	ELAINE ANN (D) (A Papotte) M Haynes 3-7-9 Jenkinson
629	000-04	SITEX (D) (Miss S Hayes-Sadier) M Bolton 6-7-9
630	010000-	KATHLEEN'S MONEY (A Jones) P Haynes 4-7-9
631	00001-0	CLOSE TO YOU (E Emerington) Pat Mitchell 4-7-7
632	00000-0	BOAS FESTAS (B Tang) Pat Minchell 4-7-7
634	-000000	PRESS BARON (Miss & Bronson) P Ashworth 5-7-7
535	0000-30	CHEUNG SING (Mrs B Mitchell Pat Mitchell 5-7-7
636	0-0000	KALLISTA ANTARTIS (B) (Miss J Apostolides) H Collingridge 4-7-7
837	10000-0	DELICES WILD (P Wright) C Drew 3-7-7
	-	1963: (2m seller) Getting Plenty 4-7-9 R H#s (8-1) M Pipe 20 ran.

1 Bold Realm, 7-2 Heather Croft, 5 Tokatdo, 6 Baine Ann, 8 Lady Clementine,
SPANISH POINT (7-12) and LORD SCRAP (7-13) both out of first 9 to Alev (9-2) (Sandown 51,
23.350, good to firm, Apr 27). MEATHER CROFT (8-13) 1-2 2nd to 8 A Poundstretcher (8-6) with
TOHARDO (8-1) a further 25 away in 8th (Notingham 51, 17-758, firm, May 17) CRYX/MINOR (8-12)
12"/s 8th to Remordeseless (9-2) (Chepstow 71, 11,423, Soft, Aor 9), BOLD REALM (8-9) 1-2 and to
Lity Bank (8-1) (Rempton 61, 12,578, firm, Apr 21). LADY CLEMENTINE unplaced test 2 runs,
previously (6-11) 1-yi witner from Mistrial Physicals (9-0) with AL AMEAD (9-0) a further 17 back in
3rd (Kempton 95, 11,749, good to firm, Sept 21, TIN BOY out of first 9 test time, previously (9-0) 1 by
winner from Tudor 96 Star (9-0) (Bath 81, 1926, hard, Aug 24). KASSAK (8-8) need 27 9-10
Star (9-10) with SITEX (8-8) a further 21 back in 4th (Brighton 71, 1939, good to firm, Apr 12).
ELAINE ANN (7-8) 81 2nd to Danng Deplay (9-0) (Salisbury 51, 12,137, good, Apr 71, Selection: TRI
BOY.

Ciechanowski collects again

Little went right for John yearling. The colt took command Ciechanowski last season, but inside the final furlong and won far remorseless is keeping the flag flying more easily than the official length remorseless is keeping the flag flying for the Lambourn trainer this year, and landed his third victory from four outings when carrying top weight to success in the Faust Lager handcap at Salisbury yesterday.

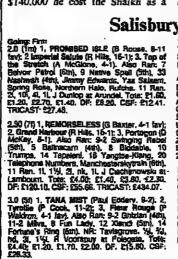
Cicchanowski, a former cavalry officer in his native Poland, is now private trainer to Shaikh Mohammed. Like many of his stable companions remorseless was stable companions remorseless was

not right last season, and only made one appearance, but he is now starting to pay dividends on the \$140,000 he cost the Shaikh as a of Imperial Salute

Geoffrey Wragg: fluent victory with Teenoso

Fig U Fry 8-7-13. M Fry (4-1) 3

Also Ran: 4 Androny (8th), 8 Masked Ball
(ath), North Briton (8th), 33 Somars Heir, 7 ran.
113, 41, 51 hd, 113, 32, P Wahayn at Lambourn.
1UTE Wer: 22.60. Places: 51.90, 22.00. DF:
114.00, CSF: 21.44, 32.44, 43.64.
1077E DOUBLE: 273.40, 174.591.E: 212.15,
JACKPOT: 27.238, 70, Single Winner Bortus not
Worl. PLACEPOT: £18.65.



23.3 (6) 1, JACKIE BLAR (T WIREIMS 9-4 fav); 2, Freemont Boy (R Rox. 16-1); 2, Mango May Sing (A Mackey, 6-1). Also ran: 9-2 Manor Farm Into, 8 hopl (4th), 8 lda Times, Dissing, 12 Racina Cay (5th), Tsyfors Timesowaton, 20 Kalagu, Single (5th), 25 Navana, 33 Freemoer. 13 ran. Val., 2Val., Vel., back. P Haynes s Chichester, Tole: 23.40; E1.50, 29.60, \$4.70. DF: 236.90, CSF: £40.75. 62.01sec. 4.0 (im 2) 1, SERGEANT DRUMBER (B Rouse, 7-4 k-fav); 2, Elisse (P Waldron, 14-1); 3, Nearly A Nose (I Marcier, 7-4 k-fav), Also ran: 12 Therapoulo, Linga Longa, 16 Acc Ving, 20 Bacrisgha, Non Noble (8th), Park Partale (4th), 35 Ancient Mariner, Invincible Pink, Just Blake, Linda's Netive, Man O'Megic,

5.0 (Im 6) 1. Frispetrick (J Mercer, 9.2 ji-lav);
2. Macmillion (J Wilzuns, 19.2); 3. Allanahaanshu Amad (N Adams, 6-1). Also rar:
9-2 (s-lev) Harbour Bridge, 11-2 Chreson Kright, 8 Carnacho (6th). Solar Light (6th), 10 Allass (4th). Somersday, 18 John Petther, 50 Gobith: 17 ran. Nr. 4.1 74.1 71.5 P. Wilseyn a Lambourn. Tota: 55.20. 52.10, 52.70, 52.40. DP: 51.20. CSP: 53.98. Thicast £167.69. 3m 00,01sec. PLACEPOT £30.50.

verdict suggested. Promised Isle maintained the favourite's hold on the Dorset Handicap. The market leader has won this mile race for the past four years, and Promised Isle, the 11-8 on favourite, always looked likely to Striking the front inside the final

Salisbury results

Dr. 151.70. CSF 220.40. Am 07.38586.

4.30 (1m 2) 1, TROPICAL WAY LI Mercer, 7-2
Lifery 2, High Morele (3 Duffield, 4-1); 3,
Geovaire (R Guest, 12-1), Also ran: 7-2 (ji-tav)
August (4th), 4 Defioreur (6th), 12 Typo, 14
Charle's Angel, 18 thve Off, 20 Stocksign,
Dallas Smith, Ghannyem (5th) 33 Guzuvayoor,
Lloer, B J Moon, Lady Capitano, Nr.
Cambridge Circus, Shihab. 15 ran. 1 7st. 41, 7st
2 7st. 1, P Waleym at Lambourn. Tote. 23.10.
E1.30, E2.00, E3.80. DF: 27.10, CSF-219.20
2m 07.72586.

Course specialists LINGFIELD JOCKEYS P Eddary 28 winning from 147 rides 19,0%; W Carson 27 from 151, 17,5%; P Cook 18, 110, 15,4%, TRAINERS G Herwood 34 from 128, 28,6%; J Satelite 13 from 81, 21,3%; P Cole 22 from 107, 20,5%.

JOCKEYS P Eddary 28 witness from 147 rides \$19.0%; W Carson 27 front 151, 17.5%; P Cook 18. 110, 16.4%.

TRAINERS G Harwood 34 from 128, 28.6%; J Substitute 13 from 51, 21.3%; P Cook 22 from 107, 20.5%.

HAMILTON

JOCKEYS B Raymond 11 from 43, 25.5%; G Duthield 34 from 233, 20.5%; E Hide 18 from 711, 18.5%; S P Robert 49, 32.7%; M Present 28 from 94, 29.8%; J Watta 18 from 79, 22.8%.

6-4 Bolosham 2 Miss Date, 4 Karyobinga, 8 Red 30 BRAILES NOVICE CHASE \$1,160 2m) | 112 Young Lever 6-12-0 J Francome
| 4 | 1)12 Letze 1-11 8 P Scucamore
| 5 | 869 Aktingting Bay 6-11-2 S Morsheat
| 6 | 803 Frantster 6-11-2 K Mooney
| 10 | 100 Reddown 6-11-2 C Mann
| 11 | p-a Closely's Riseal 6-10-11 S Loy 7
| 13 | 330 Flying Riseases 6-10-11 S Loy 7
| 15 | 382 Senten Court 6-10-11 P Warner 15-8 Young Lover, 5-2 Lulay, 9-2 Fortstar, & Flying CHASE (£2.754: 2m 6f) (11) 4 Half Frec. 5 Gambling Prince, 11-2 Cross, 7 7.30 SHELDON NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (£1,740: 3m 2t) (14)

1 421 Pinaelman 7-12-5

132 Vignet Assy 9-11-8

Mr T Clay

132 Vendever 9-11-3

Mr T Clay

132 Pinaelman (8) 6-10-8 (7 ext.) Suffern 4

3 311 Takanisence (8) 6-10-8 (7 ext.) Suffern

10 48 North Lans 7-10-6

12 03 Sweet Mandy (8) 8-10-0

13 483 Athers Size 9-10-0

14 03 Sweet Mandy (8) 8-10-0

15 40p Articlae (8) 11-10-0

16 Jones

17 10-10 A Webber

18 10 Bushly Bay 10-10-0

19 Bushly Bay 10-10-0

10 Bushly Bushly Bay 10-10-0

10 Bushly Bay 10-10-0

10 Bushly (£1,740; 3m 2t) (14) 100-30 Planetman, 4 Viewed Away, 5 Takealence, 8 Prosett. 8.0 TYSOE MAIDEN HURDLE (4-y-6: \$548:

3.30 M & W CASH & CARRY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,867: 2m 150yd) (12) HURDLE (\$1,867: 2m 150yd) (12)

2 39: Enswel Land 9-12-07 (2)

5 634 Bigests Marander 8-16-12 ... Ni Huntet 7

6 141 Rhythmie Pastimes 4-10-12 ... Ni Huntet 7

8 69-8 Bigest Eart 7-10-5 ... Maranda 8

12 304 Wiss Sadder 8-10-2 ... Christing Young 7

13 141 Vallon Frendange 6-10-1 ... P Store 7

14 238- Bolden Rat 11-10-0 ... L Bioconfield 4

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Taking specimens of breath for analysis

Before Lord Justice Robert Goff and Mr Jusuce Mann

[Judgment delivered May 4] A person suspected of driving with excess alcohol who had provided a positive roadside breath test could be required to provide no more than two specimens of breath for analysis by an approved device (here a Lion Intoximeter 3000) at a police staton under section 8(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as

of the Road Traine Act 1972 as amended by Schedule 8 to the Transport Act 1981.
The Queen's Bench Divisional Court allowed the appeal of David Charles Howard on a case stated by Wedstein Act 1981. Wadebridge Justices who, on August 9, 1983, on a charge preferred by the prosecutor, Ed-mund Robert Hallett, convicted the defendant of driving with excess alcohol, contrary to section 6(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as

mended.
Mr W. P. L. Sellick for the defendent: Mr John Lofthouse for the prosecutor.

LORD JUSTICE ROBERT GOFF said that the justices found that the defendant was seen driving a motor vehicle in a suspicious manner in the early hours of the morning of June 21, 1983, After being stopped by the police and providing a breath specimen which proved positive, he was arrested and taken to "Newquay police station where he was required to supply two breath specimens for analysis.

The defendant duly provided the first specimen, but the constable forgot to ask the defendant for a second specimen in accordance with the operating procedures of the device and it accordingly produced an analysis of only one specimen.

Having discovered the operating error, it was decided that the entire procedure for the requiring and taking of breath specimens should be recommenced and the defendant. having been given the requisite statutory warning, was required to provide a further two specimens.

Only the second and third specimens were adduced in evi-dence before the justices. Both showed a proportion of alcohol above the prescribed limit and the third showed a higher proportion than the second. No evidence was given of the proportion of alcohol in the first specimen but cross-examination of the constable revealed that the first specimen had contained a lower alcohol content than the

The justices found the case proved and convicted the defend-

Two of the questions posed by the justices were (a) whether a police officer who had arrested a person had provided a positive by section \$(1%a) of the Road

Traffic Act 1972, as amended, to require that person to provide a third specimen of breath for analysis

third specimen of breath for analysis roadside breath test was empowered by an approved device, having previously provided two proper such specimens for analysis; and (b) whether the justices were entitled to convict the defendant when the first proper specimen contained a lower second, albeit that there was no evidence before the justices as to what that proportion was.

Section 8(1)(a) of the 1972 Act, as amended, provided that in the Goff's judgment course of investigating whether a person had been driving with excess breath samples".

alcohol, a constable could require the person to provide two speci-mens of breath for analysis by an approved device.

Section 8(6) provided: "Of any two specimens of breath provided... in pursuance of this section that with the lower proportion of alcohol ..., shall be used and the other shall be disregarded: ..."

Section 10(2) provided: "Evidence of the proportion of alcohol...in a specimen of breath ...shall, in all cases, be taken into account, and it shall be assumed that the proportion of alcohol in the accused's breath . . . at the time of the alleged offence was not less than in the specimen: . . .

Mr Sellick submitted that section 8(1) (a) empowered a constable to require a person to provide no more than two specimens of breath for analysis; that of the two specimens provided pursuant to a reques under section \$(1) (a) the specimen showing the higher proportion of alcohol had to be distregarded pursuant to section 8(6) and, by section 10(2), that only the remaining specimen was to be taken into account in evidence.

It was further submitted that, on the facts of the present case, the first specimen having been properly provided and analysed, only one other specimen could be required of the defendant; and that only the first specimen should have been taken into account by the justices since it shawed a lower reading than the second specimen which should have been disregarded.

Mr Lofthouse submitted that in respect of an offence under section 6(1) of the 1972 Act, as amended the prosecutor had only to prove that the driver of a vehicle had consumed excess alcohol and could do so by any evidence available for that purpose, including specimen provide outside the provisions of section 8; and that the evidence to be taken into account under section 10(2) of the 1972 Act meant any evidence without qualification.

The startling consequence of that submission was that it was possible entirely to disregard the strict procedures laid down by Parliament for the taking of specimens and the manner in which analyses of specimens were to be presented to a court. Such a consequence could not have been intended.

In his Lordship's opinion, the evidence to be taken into account under section 10(2) was the specimens taken in accordance with the statutory procedure laid down by section 8.

Counsel for the defendant was right in his analysis of the sections. The proper course in the present case would have been to disregard the second breath specimen. Instead, the justices had relied on it

Mr Justice Mann sgreed,
Solicitors: Robbins Olivey &
Blake Lapthorn for MacMillans,
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Correction

in Cotter v Kamil (The Times May 7) the last phrase in the fourth paragraph of Lord Justice Robert Goff's judgment should have read ... full and proper analysis of heath samples.

Detention of Irish citizen not against EEC law

Regina v Governor of Penton-ville Prison, Ex parte Healy the individual's conduct. There was no dispute that the defendant was a "worker" or that the provisions of Before Lord Justice Robert Goff and Mr Justice Mann

Hudement delivered May 41 Detention of a citizen of the Republic of Ireland for the purpose

of returning him to that country under the Backing of Warrants (Republic of Ireland) Act 1965 was not in breach of article 48 of the EEC Treaty.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in dismissing an application for a writ of habeas corpus made on the basis that the applicant's detention at Pentonville prison was contrary to the provision of article 48 and so was unlawful, ollowing the endorsement by the Hamostead Justices on February 20, 1984 of a warrant issuing from the County Cork District Court for his arrest in the United Kingdom on a charge of possessing cannabis for the purpose of supplying it to another, that being an indictable

Mr Alan Newman for the applicant; Mr Simon D. Brown for

LORD JUSTICE ROBERT GOFF said that the justices had endorsed a warrant for the arrest and delivery to the Irish police of the defendant under the 1965 Act. Section 2(1) provided that where

Section 2(1) provided that where
"... a person is arrested under a
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convenient pour of departure some convenient point of departure from the United Kingdom into the custody of a member of the police force (Garda Stochana) of the Republic, and remand him until so delivered."

Section 2(2) provided that no order should be made under section order should be made under section 2(1) if the offence specified in the warrant was not one for which a person might be indictable in the United Kingdom or was of a political character. It was to be observed that apart from the circumstances specified in section 2(2) there was no question of the justices examining the circumstances. justices examining the circum-stances of the offence in question.

Mr Newman submitted that the detention was unlawful with regard to the provisions of article 48 of the EEC Treaty and EEC Directive No

Article 48(3) provides: "[Free-dom of movement for workers] shall entail the right, subject to himitations justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public policy, public security or public health: ... (b) to move the case in the light of the passage of freely within the territory of the member states for this purpose.

"worker" or that the provisions of the Directive applied to him.

Mr Newman submitted that as the justices could not under the 1965 Act consider either the individual's conduct or the question of public policy as was required by article 48(3)(b) the detention under that Act was unlawful.

Mr Newman referred to R v Saunders ([1980] QB 72), a decision of the Court of Justice of the European Communities, which decided that a restriction imposed as a penal measure by a member that a property of the penal of the penal state upon one of its own citizens was a wholly domestic matter outside of the scope of article 48. He sought to distinguish that case on the ground that it did not apply where there was a foreign element.

That submission ignored the premise upon which the decision was based (at p86): "10... article 48... does not ... aim to restrict the power of the member states to lay down restrictions, within their own territory, on the freedom of movement of all persons subject to their jurisdiction in implementation of domestic criminal law." of domestic criminal law.

Expulsion under the 1965 Act was closely analogous to the implemen-tation of domestic criminal law and was thus outside the scope of article

That view had been taken by the court in R v Governor of Holloway Prison. Ex parte Kember ([1980] WLR 1110) in relation to the extradition of a United Kingdom citizen to the United States; and in the case of Re Virdee ([1980] CMLR 700) in relation to the surgester to 709) in relation to the surrender to Indian military authorities of an United Kingdom citizen under the Visiting Forces Act 1952.

His Lordship saw no reason to

depart from the analysis of Saunders arrived at in those cases with which he was wholly in agreement. The application was dismissed.

His Lordship refused an application

cation for a reference to the European Court of Justice.

Mr Justice Mann agreed.
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Lessons to be learnt from Fiat's robots

Fiat's Cassino car plant in the beautiful valley below the bloody 1939-45 war battlefield of Monte Cassino is attracting a great deal of attention from the international motor industry these days. There are many lessons to be learnt from the Italian giant's attempt to rectify the mistakes it made 12 years ago when, under pressure from the government, it opened a satellite car plant in the depressed Mezzo-giorna region of Southern Italy.

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Like the other northern based Italian car maker, Alfa Romeo, which was persuaded to open a factory at Portugliano, near Naples. Fiat got its priorities wrong, Instead of producing cars by the most cost effective methods of the day it created as many jobs as possible for a labour force composed of seasonal agricultural workers who were alien to the desciplines demanded by a

car factory.
The problems which that created in terms of absenteeism and strikes have been too well documented to warrant repeating here. Fiat (and Alfa Romeo) were trying to change a way of life that had existed unchanged for hundreds of years. But by the start of the 1980s they seemed to be making marginally efficient car workers out of men more used to operating crude olive

There still remained, however. the problem of over-employment. In 1980 10,000 Cassino workers produced 1,200 cars a day. Today 6,200 workers are turning out 1,300 cars a day.

Two factors made this possible.

The most immediate impact came from the Italian system of "casa integrazione", under which surplus employees are sent home and paid 80 per cent of their normal wages. In 1980, 2,700 Cassino employees were made redundant in this way. Four years later 1,000 of them are still without a job and receiving about £350 a month from the "casa", which is jointly funded by the government and public companies.

The second factor was the modernization of the relative new plant so that the entire welding and painting of vehicle bodies is now done by unmanned machinery. The only humans seen in many areas at Cassino are maintenance and quality specialists.

The star attraction for international visitors is Robogate, Fiat's answer to the traditional endless are also numbered according to Ing. track. It uses computer controlled wheeled carriers to trundle bodies from one automated work station to the next, along an unseen magnetic track in the floor.

Robogate was first introduced levels "quite significantly". some six years ago at Fiat's Rivolta plant near Turin and led-to the now famous "Untouched by human hand" advertising campaign for the Ritmo (known in Britain as the

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able cost-effectiveness, and it was contender in the family saloon suggested that no car maker could Montegos were made available to afford not to follow Fiat's example. the press for a one-day trial run in In fact, very few did and even those manufacturers have used the south of France more than a heavily modified versions that they month ago. In my view, however, such brief acquaintance does little bear little resemblance to the original, which suffers from the more than satisfy curiosity about space taken up by the carriers. If the car's general appearance and an placed end to end the 60 carriers at often misleading impression of its Price: £6.875 Cassino would need as much space on-the-road behaviour. Driven in strange conditions, a as a large goods train.

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Robogate has also been refined

and improved in the past six years

to the extent that it has reduced the

number of man hours required to

costs at Cassino are workers' wages

and most of these are employed in

the last stronghold of human

labour, the final trim and assembly

line. So far the complex number of

jobs carried out there have defied

the march of the robot. But its days

Aldo Vignale, Cassino's young plant director. He predicts that

within three years a new generation

of cars designed for final assembly

by robots will reduce manning

Montego on test

Now that all the fuss is dying down after the launch of Austin

Rover's Montego it is the appropri-

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produce a Ritmo by 30 per cent.

should have.

right-hand-drive car in a keep left Robogate's contribution to the country, and with too much effort next generation of car making. directed to not getting lost, is hardly the ideal setting for a careful nowever, is its extreme flexibility. It lends itself to the production of more than one model on the same assessment. On the other hand I appreciate manufacturing facilities. Cassino the need for manufacturers to go south at that time of year to ensure can switch between the new Regata medium saloon and the smaller Ritmo within hours or produce a

that months of careful and costly planning are not jeopardized by the snow and ice which can and do assault these islands in March. But to do justice to any car it needs to be driven several times over a familiar test route, including

daily commuting to the office. I then have a direct comparison with the performance, ride and road holding of competitive cars driven over the same terrain. The model chosen for testing last

week was the Montego 1.6. I would have preferred the anticipated big seller, the 1.6L, but had to settle for the more fully equipped 1.6HL. The first thing that has to be said

its fluted side panels and graceful slimline headlights.

A burst water main on the London North Circular road trapped me in a huge traffic jam and demonstrated its appeal. In no time drivers were gitting their cars for a closer look at the Montego.

They were all complimentary except one astute character who. said flatly, "It is another Cortina". He was trying to be disparaging but Austin Rover's chairman, Mr Harold Musgrove, would have loved him for his choice of words. He would like nothing better than for Montego to step into Cortina's profitable shoes, a task which the

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But unlike many of them it does not roll excessively on fast bends. True, it does not corner with the "on rails" ability of some but is sure, sale and quite pleasant to handle.

The new 1.6 engine is such asignificant improvement of the R series from which it is derived that owners of R series equipped Macstros will rightly feel aggrieved. In fairness to Autin Rover, however, it should be said that the new engine has also been fitted to Macstros since March.

The additional development work is obvious in its refinement

Vital statistics

Model: Montego 1.6HL Engine: 1.598cc

Performance: Maximum speed 102 mph, 0-70 mph 10.9 seconds Official consumption: Urban 31.9 mpg 56 mph 53.5 mpg and 75 mph 38.8 mpg Length: 14.9ft.

Insurance group: Under nego-

being noticeably quieter and smoother than the R series. It is also a first-time starter which gets into its stride without the hesitation and grumbles of some of its rivals. It revs eagerly but becomes

rather breathless and thrashy at over 4,500 rpm. However the ratios in the five-speed VW gearbox are well-matched to its torque curve and the lack of urge at higher revs is only noticeable when pushing the car to the limit. The trend-setting new light

pressure belts attracted my interest in France for their added comfort on a long run. However it is not about Montego is that it is a big car until you have experienced the at a shade under 15ft long and gives actual lack of restriction across the until you have experienced the the appearance of being even lap and chest that you appreciate bigger. It is also eye-catching with what a difference the lighter recoil springs and slippery belt material make to more relaxed driving.

Montego is a roomy car with more leg room at front and rear than both the Sierra and the Cavalier. It also has the largest boot together with an extension in the boot lid between the lamp clusters to ease loading of awkward or heavy luggage.

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- 8.30 That's My Boy, Comedy series starring Mollie Sugden as the possessive mother of her now-adult son she abandoned as a child (Oracle titles page
- 9.00 . Mariowe Private Eye. The laconic lawman fights corruption at City Hall and trying to kill him off? Starring Powers Boothe (Oracle titles
- 10.00 News. 10.30 The London Programme - investigates private homes for
- past year have revealed instances of old people being abused and exploited. 11.00 Shoot Pool! Another round of the best-of-eleven frames tournament for the John Buil Championship.
- 12.00 South of Watford. Ben Elton with a wry look at the way of life of Londoners. 12.30 Highway Patrol*. Vintage crims series starring Broderick Crawford (r) followed by Night Thoughts from Desconess
- Cooke's personal history of his adopted country (r). 8.10 My Music. The first of a new 8.35 Gardeners' World. Geoff Hamilton prepares and sows a
- lawn; Anne Mayo tackles bulbs after flowering; and Betty Metcalfe has new ideas about cultivating French beans and tomatoes. 9.00 Empire. The first of a new
- farces (see Choice). 9.25 All Our Working Lives. Part about Britain at work in the
- 20th century examines the lot of the aircraft workers (Ceefax titles page 170). 10.25 Jazz at the Leadmill. The guests are blues singer, Jimmy Witherspoon with Danny Moss and his Quartet.
 - 10,55 Newsnight. 11.40 Foxwatch. The final programme of the series about urban foxes (r). Ends at 12.05.

dapper and ruthless former Avenger re-appears on British television tonight as the smooth, dapper and ruthless Calvin Cromwell in a newly

imported American comedy series EMPIRE (BBC 9.00pm). Set in the head offices of a giant international conglomerate, ruled through fear by chairman Cromwell ('anxiety breeds excellence"), the six part series gets off to a cracking start with the board directors being thrown into various states of panic by the calling of an emergency board meeting. Paranoia rules as the reasons for this meeting are mulled over by the directors privately, a bunch of nervous

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Dr Judy Greenwood: Sex

Matters (Channel 4 10.30pm)

BBC 2

Modelling: Knots 6.30

Introduction to Sociology 6.55

Images: The Third Dimension 7.20 Chemical Reactions 7.45

Pathways to the Brain, Ends at

Daytime on Two I had economic struggle of the Great Lake city of Cleveland 9.28 Ceefax 9.52 Sax education for eight-to-10-year olds 10.15 Lestey Judd with Ideas on how to reduce fat intake 10.40

Houses: The Solution.

12.30 Coofex 2.01 Teenage temper

5.05 Weekend Outlook. A preview

of the weekend's Open

University programmes.

University production that examines the BBC's expertise

in the coverage of the great rituals of the nation (r).

(1945) starring Robert Mitchum and Berbara Hale. A

cool ranch hand who comes to

lively cowboy adventure with Mitchum playing the

the aid of a wealthy banker

and his attractive daughter

who find themsleves in the

middle of an ettack on their

6.50 Eight Days a Week presented

at the week's new films, records, videos and concerts.

7.20 America. Part three of Alistair

ranch. Directed by Edward

by Robin Denselow. With his guests, Drummle Zeb of Aswad and Tracle, Mr

Denselow takes a critical look

5.35 News summary with subtitles.

5.45 Film: West of the Pecos*

5.40 Cartoon Two.

5.10 Broadcast Rituals, An Open

about their community by children from Yorkshire and

Taylor's Hungry Times. With subtitles 11.42 Ceefax 12.05

and how it can be controlled 2.30 Journalism – with David Emery of the Daily Star and Jill Eckersley of Look Now, Ends at 2.50

10.45 Caefax 11.00 Art projects

6.05 Open University: Maths

9.08 Daytime on Two: The

8.10

3.00 Caefax

wrecks, publicly, brimming over with bonhomie and confidence. Into this piranha tank of vice presidents is hurted the latest of their number, one Ben Christain, a neophyte in the world of big business, promoted to

CHANNEL 4

- 5.00 Wayne and Shuster. This Canadian comics take another wry look at life, this week concentrating on the world of
- 5.30 The Addams Family' More macabre humour from the ghoulish family group. This evening poor Uncle Fester abruptly loses all his electrical energy. The rest of the family ponder the problem of whethe doctor to help restore Fester to his normal self.
- about the BBC and its programmes.

 10.00 News: International Assignment.

 10.30 Morning Story: 'You Just Don't Know' by Brian Glanville.

 10.45 Daily Service.

 11.00 Analysis. 'The Pit and the Pendulum' the NUM'S struggle to under miners behind a national strike shows how for the 6.00 High Band: Tina Turner - Nice 'n' Rough. A strength-sapping video recorded ave at a concert in 1982. The unsubtle but supple singer pumps out all her best known songs including her biggest hit, River Deep, Mountain High.
- 7.00 Channel Four News. 7.30 Right to Reply. Presented by Gus MacDonald. Another chance for Channel Four viewers to air their views on any of Channel 4's programmes. This evening, David Cohen, producer of Passage to Britain, answers criticisms of last week's
- programme on Irish nigration. 8.00 A Week in Politics, presented by Peter Jay reports from Nottinghamshire on the miners on strike and those who want to work. Arthur Scargill is
- interviewed. Plus a preview of June's Euro-elections. 8.40 What the Papers Say, Freelance journalist Godfrey Hodgson reviews the millions printed this week in Fleet
- 9.00 Agony. Comedy series about a ionely hearts columnist with marriage problems of her own Maureen Lipman stars as Jane who, this week, has no time News of Wales Headlines. 5.55 Wales Today, 10.15-11.05 Week In Week Out. 11.05-11.05 News headlines. 11.05-12.45 Film: Two People' (Peter Fonds). 12.45 Weather. SCOTLAND 10.55am-12.30 Conference 84. 12.55pm-1.00 The Scottlah News. 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 10.15-10.45 The Beechgrove Garden. 10.45-11.13 Agends. 11.13-11.15 News summary. 11.15-1.05am Film: The Strange Love of Martha Ivers' (1946) (Barbara Stanwyck). 1.05 Weather. NORTHERN (RELAND 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scane Around Six. 10.15-10.45 Spottight. 10.45-10.50 New headlines. 10.50-12.30am Film: Two People' (1972) (Peter Fonds). 12.30 News headlines and weather. ENGLAND North East only: 12.00-12.30pm the-fold husband when the her for advice when their marriage goes through a rocky

Street and beyond.

- 9.30 It Takes a Worried Man Roath is disturbed by his girl friend's rather flippant attitude to birth control.
- 19.90 Cheers. The boys of the Boston bar are captivated by an antique weighing machine bought by Coach. It's not their weight they are concerned about, it is the fortune-telling side-line of the machine that space invader.
- 10.30 Sex Matters. A new six part series from Yorkshire Television (see Choice). 11.15 The Late Clive James, Heroes tonight's topic. Talking about their's are Tom Stoppard.
- Marina Warner and John 12.15 Jazz at the Gateway. Oscar Peterson's guests are Mike Westbrook's Brass Band and the François Jeanneau

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.00 Film: Wonder Bar (Al Jolson). 3.30-4.40 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Joanie Loves Chechi. 6.00 News. 6.30-7.06 in The Garden. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 Wast This Week. 11.00 Darts. 11.30 Lou Grant. 12.30 am Closedown. HTV WALES As HTV West except 9.30 sm-9.45 Wales and the Sea. 11.05-11.20 About Weles. 5.00 pm-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30 Elinov. 11.15 Lou Grant. 12.45 am Closedown. REQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m; VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: *200kHz 1500m; VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m; VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m; VHF 94.9; World Service MF 648kHz/463m.

CHOICE

- the board from his research laboratory at the behest of Cromwell. Immediately treated with disdain by the rest of the board he later becomes he subject of their hilarious unease. As with all the best American comedy the episodes are comparatively short and the timing of the delivery of the dialogue is perfect - two plusses that auger well for the remaining five episodes.

 Yorkshire Television's controversial series, SEX MATTERS
- (Channel 4 10.30pm) has found itself in censorship troubles even before it has been screened. Part one, which should have been shown tonight, has been withdrawn to be bowdlerized and will be seen in its re-cut state as programme number six. In its place tonight is part two

Radio 4

5.00 News binefing: Weather.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.25 Shipping Forecast.
8.30 Today. including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary, 6.45° Prayer for the Day, 6.55, 7.55 Weather, 7.0, 8.0 Today's News, 7.26°, 8.25° Sport, 7.45° Thought for the Day, 8.35° Yesterday in Parliament.
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9.00 News.
9.05 Desert Island Discs (1) Soprano,
Rosalind Plownight.
9.45 Feedback, Colin Semper pursues
your criticisms of, and questions
about the BBC and its

strike shows how for the

11.48 Natural selection A profile of the

devastating plagues. 12.00 News; You and Yours, Consume

natural selection in Provision of the updiquitous flea. John Maunder examines the history of the creature that can high-jump seven inches, long-jump 13 inches, pull chariots and cause

advice presented by John Howard. The programme includes the second in the senes Called to Account which closely

Called to Account which closely examines the trades and professions. Today it is the turn of the insurance business. Do policy holders get a fair deal? My Music (1) Musical panel games 12.55 Weather; Programme News The World at One: News. The Archers.

Shipping Forecast.
News; Woman's Hour from Manchester, Lesley Judd

Manchester, Lesley Judd discovers what happened to Toxn Burke, the Lancashire miner whom Caruso chose as his

successor, 65 years ago. Plus Peter Reeves meets Rochdale's

BBC1 WALES 12.57pm-1.00 News of Wales Headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales Headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 10.15-11.05 Week In Week Out.

North East only: 12.00-12.30pm Wildfowl of Washington. 5.55 Regional news magazine. 10.15 East - Weekend. Midlands - The Barmald's Arms. North - Gardeners' Direct Line. North East -Make It in Business. North West -Outlook. South - 'Moments'. South West - A House In Bath. 12.42am Close.

pendulum of power has swung in working Britain, Mary Goldring outlines the changes and asks how permanent they are likely to

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.

8.50° Your Letters.

Caryl Phillips, in the final programme of the series THE SPORTING LIFE (Radio 4, 4.10pm), examines Sport and the Black Community. Why is it, Mr Phillips

- asks, that some sports attract black negate while other remain the domain of the whites? Is society's attitude to black athletes a reflection of what society thinks of all blacks? Mr Phillips searches deep for the

sensible sex counsellor, Dr Judy Greenwood, interviews nine couples

living together but who have managed to overcome their various

crises. These include unfaithfulness

anger and the need to preserve

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- 3.00 News: Our Mutual Friend (1) by Charles Dickens (7). Charles Dickens (7).

 News; Time for Verse (1).

 The Sporting Life. Seven programmes on the sporting scene in Britain (3) Sport and the Black Community.

 4.40 Story Time: "Time After Time" by Molly Kearne (last of 12 parts).

 5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather: Programme News.

 6.00 The Six O'clock News; Financial Report
- Report. 5.30 Going Places. The world of transport and travel.
- 7.00 News.
 7.05 The Archers.
 7.20 Pick of the Week (f), Programme rightights with Margaret Howard,
 8.20 Profile, A personal portrait.
- 8.45 Any Questions? From the European Parliament Building. Brussels. With Christopher Tugendhat, vice-president of the European Commission, Robin Cook, MP, Detta O'Cathain of the Milk Marketing Board and Niels J. Haagerup, a Danish member of the European Parliament.

 9.30 Letter from America by Alistair
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 9.45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine.
 10.15 A Book at Bedtime: 'Against the Steam' by James Hanley (5).
 10.30 The World Tonight.
 11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
 11.15 Week Ending. A satirical review of the week's news.
 12.00 News.
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 - except 6.25-6.30 am Weather: Travel. 10.45-12.0 For Schools: 10.45 Capricorn Club No 1. 11-5 Music Workshop, 11.35 Playtime 11.50-12.9 See For Yourself. 11.50-12.8 See For Yoursell. 1.55-2.0 pm Listening Corner. 2.0-3.0 For Schools: 2.0 Noticeboard. 2.5 Let's Join In. 2.25 One World. 2.40 Make Up Your Mind, 5.50-5.55 PM Your Mind. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.0-12.0 am Study on 4: 11.0 Action Makes the Heart Grow Stronger. 11.30 Pretaces to Shakespeare The Tempesi*, 12.30-1.10 am Schools Nicht Tree Bendard

ANGLIA As London except:
1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.003.30 Film: John and Julie (Moira Lister).
Children run away to see Coronation.
5.15-5.45 University Challenge. 5.007.30 About Anglie. 10.30 Cycling. 11.00
Cross Question. 11.35 Film: Straight on
Till Morning (Fitta Tushingham). 1.20am.
People Like Us, Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London sacept 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.00 Film: Bud Abbott and Lou Costello in Hollywood, 3.30-4.00 Joanie Loves Chachi, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.30 Sports Extra. 6.45-7.00 Wen's Way, 10.35 Ways and Mezns, 11.05 Hill Street Blues, 12.00 Late Cell, 12.05 am African Choco.

TYNE TEES As London except 1.20pm-1.30 News and Lookground. 2.00-3.30 Film:

and Lookaround, 2.00-3.30 Film: Rockets Galore' (Donald Sinden), 5.15-5.45 Diffrent Strokes, 6.02 Vintage Cuiz, 6.30-7.00 Northern Life, 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy, 10.32 Findey Live, 12.00 Film: One Eyed Soldiers, 1.30am Three's Company, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30 pm-1.00 On the Market, 1,20-1.30 News, 2,00 Hear

the Market. 1,20-1,30 rews. 2.00 res Here, 2.15-3.30 Film: Escort for Hire (Peter Murray) Comedy, 5.15-5.45 Gambit, 8.00-7.00 Calendar, 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy, 10.30 Snooker, 11.15 Film: Nightmare (Richard Crenna), 12.48 am Closedown.

12.35 Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Radio 3

- 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
 7.05 Morning Concert: Tchaikovsky's
 Legend, Liszr's Legende No 2,
 Dvorak Legende 8 and 9,
 Wienlawski's Legende, Sibelius
 Legend No 1. 8.00 News.t 8.05
- Concert part two, Nielsen's Farces Journey Overture, Howells's Rhapsodic Quintet, Enesco's Romanian Rhapsody No 2, Gershwin's Rhapsody i Blue 9.00 News.1 9.05 This Week's Composer:
- ns week's Composer: Smetana, Prague Carnival, String Quartet No 2, Ma Vlast 5 and 6.1 Hamish Mine (piano): Beethoven's Sonata Les Adieux, Dussek's Sonata Op 44, L'Adieu.1 10.00
- 10.50 Northern Sinfonia. Works by Cimarosa, Haydn (Symp No 26, Lamentatione), Lato, Falla. 1
- 11.45 Norma Burrowes (soprano).
 Songs by Strauss, Schubert.†
 12.05 Midday Concert: BBC
 Philitarmonic Ord:: Britten's Four Grimes, Haydn's Symph No 103 (Drum-roil), 1.00 News.i Six Continents, Ian McDougail. 1.05 Six Comments, leth responses
 1.20 Midday Concert; part two.
 Dvorak's symph No 5.1
 2.00 University of Wales recital.
 Lindsay String Quartet;
 Beethoven Quartet Op 95, Tippett
- Ouariet No 4, Haydin Quariet Op 57, 70 o 2, Interval reading at 2.50, t 3.30 Dutch music. Academy of St Martin in the Fields, Neville Mariner, Locatelli, Eassenaer, Johan Gabnel Meder (Symph in C Op 3, No 1).7
- 4.00 Choral Evensong, From Chapel of King's College, Cambridge, Introit and Responses by Radolitie, Elgar Anthem, 4.55
- 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. David Hoult introduces British composers'
- imroduces prasn composers
 lighter music.1

 5.30 Music for Gurter. Stegfned
 Behrend plays works by
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 7.00 Marc-Amohie Charpenter. Te
 Deum in D. Mari Anne Haggander (soprano).† Endellion String Quartet, direct
- from Birmingham Broadcasting Centre, Haydn Quartet Op 74 No 1, Bartok Quartet No 3. Smollett at Large. Travels of Tobles Smollett read by Alan McNaughton.
 - 8.35 Endelion String Quartet: part two. Mozart Clarinet Quintet in A. K 581, with Andrew Marriner. 9.15 The Ghost in the Atom, Paul Davies, professor of Theoretical Physics at Newcastle University, examines the results of the tests on Einstein's alternative to the quantum theory and explores the
 - matter and the universe.
 Bach. Concerto BMV 1065 and
 Overture No 4 in D, BMW 1069. 19.00 The English Concert, Trevor Pinnick. Seven Poems of Robert Bridges. BBC Singers, settings by Geraid

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Finzi.
11.15 News, Until 11.18.
VHF ONLY: Open University:
8.15-8.55em 6.15 Education of Training? 6.35 An Enlightened Historian, 11.20-11.40pm Anatomy of Reading.

GRAMPIAN As London except 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.00 Cleggs People. 2.30 Falcon Crest. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Diffrent Strokes. 6.00-7.00 North Tonight. 10.30 Country Focus. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Bizzarre. 12.30 am

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2.20 Ston Stori. 2.35 Hyn o Fyd.
2.55 Old Country. 3.20 Today's History.
3.50 Everybody Here. 4.15 Countdown.
4.5 Lan Lofft. 5.00 Anturisethau Syr
Wynif a Plwmsan. 5.30 Addams Family.
6.00 High Band. 7.00 Newyddion Saith.
7.30 Taro Tant. 8.00 Pobol y Cown. 8.30
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Kmgfisher. 11.10 Soap. 11.40 Here and
New. 12.55mm Closedown.

GRANADA As London except
12.30 pm-1.00 At Ease.
1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 On the
Market 2.00 Film: Carry on Matron.
3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45
Gambr. 6.00 News. 5.05-7.00 Weekend.
7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 9 to 5. 11.00
Film: King Rat (George Segat). 1.30 am
Closedown.

TVS As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.00 Falcon Crest. 3.00-3.30 in Loving Memory. 5.15-5.45 Take The High Road. 6.00-7.30 Friday Sportshow. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 Just William. 11.00 Film: Breaking Out. Trio fiee genetric ward in search of adverture. 12.50 am Company. Closedown.

Now, 12.25am Closedown

Radio 2

- News on the hour (except 8.00pm and 9.00). Major bulletins; 7.00sm, 8.00, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight. Headines: 5.30, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30am 4.00sm Bill Rennellst. 5.30 Ray Mooret. 7.30 Terry Wogant. 8.31 Racing Bulletin. 19.00 Russell Rartyl, 12.00pm Steve Jonestinci. 1.05, 2.02 Sport. 2.05 Gloria Humitorithici. 3.2 Sport. 3.15 Racing from Lingtield Park: The Esal Oaks Trial. 3.30 Music A8 The Wayfinci. 4.2 Sport. 4.05 David Hamittontinci. 5.5, 6.2 Sport. 6.05 John Dunntinci. 6.45 Sport and
- 6.05 John Dunntind, 6.45 Sport and Classified Results Imf only), 7,30 Cricket Scores; Friday Night is Music Nightforen from the Gloucester Heff. Nightfurer from the Gloucester Helf, Fort Regent, Jersey, 8.29-8.40" Tony Barnheld reports on the island's activities and talks to some of tonight's artists. 9.30 The Organist Entertainst. Nigel Ogden introduces news and views from the popular organ world. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Best of Bentine. Sports Jess. I Judy the Best of bennie. Michael Bennie's one-man show. 10.30 Sounds of Wales. The musical sounds of Wales with Bnan Hoey. 11.00 Shuart Hati (stereo from midhight), 1.00am Jean Challistpresents Nightinde. 3.00-4.00

Radio 1

6.00am Mark Page. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies, including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00pm Adrian John. 4.30 Select a Disc wirt Jamoe Long. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable with Richard Skinner. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 9.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show with Tommy Vance (stereo from 10.00). VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2 4.00am with Radio 2 10.00mm with 4.00am with Radio 2, 10.00pm with Radio 1, 12.00-4.00em with Radio 2

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8.00 Newsceak, 8.30 Pageant of the Past, 7.00 World News, 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours, 7.38 Pathok Martyn's Music Box, 7.46 Menchant News Programme, 8.00 World News, 8.09 Reflections, 8.15 The World of Singing, 8.30 Wormen Of Myster, 8.00 World News, 9.08 Reviews of the British Press, 9.15 The World Today, 9.30 Financial News, 9.40 Look Aread, 9.40 Hours Inc. 9.15 Merchant New Programme, 11.00 World News, 11.05 News About Britain, 11.51 in the Meantime, 11.25 Uctor Newsletter 11.30 Menchant, 12.00 Radio Newsreel, 12.15 Juzz for the Asburg, 12.45 Sports Roundup, 1.80 World News, 1.09 Twenty Four Hours, 1.30 The Martynane Md 2.15 Letterbon, 2.30 John Feel, 3.00 Radio Newsreel, 3.15 Outlook, 4.00 World News, 1.09 Twenty Four Hours, 1.30 The Martynane Md 2.15 Letterbon, 2.30 John Feel, 3.00 Radio Newsreel, 3.15 Outlook, 4.00 World News, 1.09 Twenty Four Hours, 1.30 The Martynane Md 2.15 Letterbon, 2.30 John Feel, 3.00 Radio Newsreel, 3.15 Outlook, 4.00 World News, 1.09 The World Today 10.25 Book Chapter, 10.30 Hours For The World, 12.00 World News, 10.90 The World News, 10.90 The World News, 10.90 The World News, 10.90 The World News, 11.09 Dwers For The World, 12.00 World News, 11.00 Dwers For The World, 12.00 World News, 11.00 Dwers For The World, 12.00 World News, 2.09 Revew of the British Press, 2.15 London Royal, 2.30 People and Politics, 3.00 World News, 2.09 Revew of the British Press, 2.15 About Britain, 5.40 Book Chook, 4.55 The World Today, All times in GMT WORLD SERVICE

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CENTRAL As London except 1.20 pm News. 1.30-3.30 Film: Little Foxes' (Bette Davis), 5.15-5.45 Oktr rent Strokes. 6.00 News. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.35 Sweeney, 11.35 Film: Hurting Party (Oliver Reed), 1.23 am Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.00 Look Who's Talking, 2.30 Quentin E. Deverill. 3.30-4.00 Young Dectors, 5.15-5.45 Nature Trail, 5.00 Looksround, 6.30-7.00 Union and the Lesque, 10.30 Irish RM. 11.30 Darkroom, 12.20 am News, Closedown.

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ULSTER As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 2.00 Look Who's Talking. 2.30-4.99 Film: I Only Arsked (Bernard Bresslaw). 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.06 Good Evening Ulster. 6.45-7.00 Advice. 10.30 Winness. 10.35 Race is On. 11.05 Megnum. 12.00 News. Closedown.

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WPC Fletcher – unlawfully killed by embassy bullet

Commander William Huck-lesby, head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch, said yesterday that investigations into the murder of Woman Police Constable Yvonne Fletcher would continue and that 400 lines of inquiry were being

He was speaking after a jury at Westminster coroner's court found that WPC Fletcher, aged 25. was unlawfully killed outside the Libyan People's Bureau

in London on April 17. After a 90-minute retirement the jury of five men and five women found WPC died from a firearm wound to the abdomen caused by a bullet fired from one of two windows on the building's first floor at about 10.20 am.

Commander Hucklesby said inquiries included tracing the origin of guns allegedly found by the Libyans in the British embassy in Tripoli, for which serial numbers had been pro-vided by a Libyan news agency. and continuing forensic tests on the weapons found at the bureau in London.

More than 100 people bave been interviewed and 200

After the inquest, at which 24 witnesses gave evidence. Mr lan Walker, a solicitor for the Police Federation representing the Fletcher family, said: "At the moment I have no instructions from the family as to whether they want to take matters further but a claim against the Libyans is an option they may

There is also the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board to be considered and there may be other remedies which may be

it emerged yesterday that the Police Memorial Trust, established to commemorate police officers killed in the course of duty, intends to put up a memorial to WPC Fletcher.

WPC Fletcher's injuries were so severe that no medical intervention could have saved her and she died in hospital just over two hours after being hit, Dr lain West, consultant forensic pathologist at St Thomas's Hospital Medical School, told the inquest

He said she died from an abdomen wound havind been shot in the right side of the back by a bullet striking her from a 60-degree angle. The bulet entered her liver, struck her spine, severed the pancreas, reentered the liver and started to "tuntble" before emerging at the junction of the chest and abdomen. It ruptured the main

The bullet pierced her tunic lining as it came to rest and is believed to have been the one



Arms cache: Guns and ammunition from the Libyan People's Bureau displayed yesterday. They included sets of armour, placed here on a dummy, two 38 Cobra Colt revolvers, a 9mm Parabellom spent cartridge case found by a window in the building and sub-machine gun parts (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

took her to hospital.

The shot was obviously fired from the bureau's first or second floor, he said. The bullet was a omm fired from a sub-machinegun and WPC Fletcher may have been the first victim

Mr Robin Keely, a police forensic scientist, said tests showed guns were fired from two windows in the ambassador's large general waiting room firearms residue was

Commander Huclesby said the 30 Libyans escorted from the bureau at the end of the 10day siege to Sunningdale were questioned by police who established their identity. Then they were flown to Tripoli.

four-day search of the building starting on April 30 revealed 4,367 rounds of three self-loading pistols with loading magazines. Sterling submachinegun magazines, body armour and bomb blankets.

He had no evidence identify positively two of the 30 people released from the bureau as responsible for the shooting. All 30 remained suspects. The police had no warning before the shooting, he added.

In answer to a question from Mr Walker, he said 22 of the 30 had diplomatic status sufficient to protect them from proseculion.

Mr Brian Arnold, a forensic scientist, said the bullet which killed WPC Fleicher came from a Sterling sub-machine gun but two such weapons were almost certainly fired. The simultaneous firing of these could sound like the more rapid-firing Ingram sub-machine gun which

ammunition, four .38 revolvers. a police witness told the inquest on Wednesday that he thought he had heard.

Mr Arnold said he knew of no weapon other than the Sterling which produced the type of mark his examination revealed from the bullet found in the ambulance.

Last night anti-terrorist squad officers said one of the guns found in the Bureau could have been used by assassins who killed Mr Mohammed Ramadan, a Libyan journalist, outside the Regent's Park mosque in April 1980.

Britain has allowed 197 Libyans into the country since April 17. Mr David Waddington. Minister of State at the Home Office, said in the Commons. Most were returning had visas issued before April 17. Parliament, page 4

British Greens prepare election battle lines

By David Cross

The British Ecology Party. which is fielding 15 candidates in the forthcoming European elections, yesterday unveiled a campaign manifesto designed to turn the EEC into a Ecological Com-

At a press conference in ondon, leaders of the party were required to the Treaty of Rome to transform the EEC into a federation of regions rather than a grouping of nation states. The party's

joint campaign platform for all the Green parties in Europe, including the powerful West

The 16-page document entitled "Towards a Green Europe" pinpoints five key areas in which the ecological parties of Europe seek modifi-cations to the Treaty of Rome. work, energy and agriculture.
None of them stands a chance of being elected under

Letter from the Alamo

Treasured symbol of Texan spirit

It is cool inside where the Daughters of the Republic of Texas are showing off a couple of Davy Crockett's rifles and a collection of old Colts and

Winchesters.
This is a shrine, a place This is a shrine, a place revered in the romance and legend of Texas. This is the Alamo, where Texas had its Mafeking, and 187 Americans died fighting for their state's independence from Mexico in 1836. It is crumbling very slowly, very mysteriously, into line.

lust.
It is a building of dubious historical authenticity. Nobody tells you that the chapel, the principal building, has had 10 new roofs over the years, or that the famous facade did not exist when the place was a Christian Mission adornment was built by the United States Army when it turned the place into a fort. They painted it battleship grey.
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And the building that houses the museum came along in the 1930s as part of a public works programme during the Depression, though there is no sign telling you so.

Despite these and other historical imperfections, the Alamo is a treasured symbol of the dogged spirit of Texas. The decay of the little that remains of the old structure eats at the very heart of a state so totally enraptured by itself and by its history.

Nobody is quite sure why the walls are crumbling. It may be the effects of underground water seepage, or the result of chemical damage from previous preservation measures. The Daughters of the Republic of Texas, who protect the shrine under a legislative fiat of 1905, have engaged experts to isolate the

The Daughters raise funds by selling junk in a tourists' shop. There is no entrance fee. The Alamo (the name is from the Spanish for whitewood tree) is bang in the middle of San Antonio and is under constant siege by buses, ice cream men and hawkers of all manner of rubbish. Thanks to the 1960 John Wayne epic, it is a top tourist spot. The Daughers' stewardship

of the Alamo is often criticized by those who would like to

It is 97 degrees, a brutal spring day even for south Texas. The bleached-white walls of the mission San Antonio de Valero are hot as Cooker to the cooker of turn it into a commercial going concern, as well as by historical purists. High on one wall, for example, is a picture depicting the battle of El Alamo – but Davy Crockett looks distinctly like John Wayne surrounded by a heap of dead bodies. He is backed up by look-alikes of Richard Widmark and Laurence Harvey. Such panderings to vey. Such panderings to populism make historians wince but the Daughters say that children like it.

Many a person has pro-duced new ideas to turn the Alamo into a business venture but the Daughters are resistant to changing its present character - a low-key, low-budget museum and shrine with the minimum of gimmickry.

The latest businessman with a package of proposals is Mr Gary Foreman, a bistory buff from Illinois. He is waging a campaign against the Daughters, appealing directly to civic leaders with his ideas for "multimedia presentations of historical subjects" — what most of us know as son et

He says the real failure of the Daughters is in not giving visitors any concept of the real size of the old Alamo or its predecessor, the Mission San Antonio de Valero, which began in 1718 to turn local Indians into Christians (in fact missionaries was to introduce measles and chicken pox, which eventually wiped out most of the local Indian

population). Mrs Kellis Dibreli, the Alamo committee chairman for the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, said adamantly. We were given instructions by the legislature not to create a battlefield but create a shrine in memory of 187 men who died here. It is a shrine, not a tourist

thing."
And she said that any attempt to extend the present four-and-a-half acre site to anything like its original size would be impossible.

No doubt the Daughters will successfully fight off Mr Foreman in their determination to keep the Alamo a restful, simple monument. Their toughest and overriding battle is to halt the ravages to the ancient walls, to save them as a monument to the spirit of

Christopher Thomas

Today's events

Koval engagements

Princess Anne. Patron of the oyal Lymington Yachi Club. attends the Royal Lymington Cup Match Racing Championships, 11: and later attends a Charity Premiere of West Side Story in aid of Richmond Fellowship, at Her Majesty's Theatre, London, 8.15.

Princess Margaret, as President, attends the annual general meeting of the Royal Scottish Society for the of the Royal National Lifeboat

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Prevention of Cruelty to Children in Institution, visits the lifeboat the City Chambers, Edinburgh, station at Arbroath, 10. The Duke of Gloucester attends tects in Scotland's Conference and reception at Albany Hote., Glasgow,

The Duchess of Kent, as Chancellor, will preside at the Congregation for the Conferment of Honorary Degrees at the University of Leeds. 4.25; and later attend dinner for honoray graduates at

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Princess Alexandra, as President, mends the 210th Annual General Court of the Royal Humane Society at the Mansion House, 2.45. New exhibitions

Paintings and other works - Paul Kelly, and Recent sculpture by Doug Cocker, both exhibitions at Artspace Galleries. 21 Castle St. Aberdeen; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 closed Sun - both end June 61. Paintings by Simon Cook Blake Gallery. Georges Lane, Crewkerne. Somerset: Mon to Sat 10 to 4 telosed

Sun - ends May 26). Dinah Prentice - Sewn Construc-tions: Central Library, Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes; Mon to Wed 9 to 6. Thurs & Fri 9 to 8. Sat 9 to 5 (closed Sun - ends June

The Development of English Landscape, (watercolours and drawings): loan exhibition, Donnington Priory, Donnington, Newbury: Mon to Sat 10 to 6, Sun 2 to 6 (ends May

Music for brass by the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble at North Worcestershire College, Southside

Concert of Boethoven and Holst Women's Voices of the Bourne mouth Symphony Chorus. Bourne mouth Symphony Orchestra. University Great Hall. Exeter, 7,30. versity Great Hall, Exetter, 7.30. Concert by the Bournemouth Sinfonierta with conductor Jane Glover and soloist Janet Hilton, Colfox School, Bridport, 7.30. The Forsyth Concert by Anna Markland. (piano). All Saints' Church. Altrincham, Cheshire. 8.00. English Music of the Twentieth Content Celebration with choir.

Century Celebration, with choir, orchestra and young London soloists. The Parish Church, St Germans, or Saltash, 7.30.

Taskin Harpsichord Trio: Priscilla Palmer, (violin), Roger Doe, (viola da gamba), Christopher Herrick, (harpsichord), St. Mary's Church,

Shaw-cum-Donnington, 8.00. Concert by the Abbey Singers, Hillsborough, Ulster, Parish Church, 8,00pm. Church, 8.00pm.
Recital by Israeli pianist Liora Ziv-Li
Felixstowe College Chapel, 7.30pm.
University of East Anglia's Organ
Prizerecital, Norwich Cathedral, 11.

General Golden Jubilee of the Morris

Golden Jubilee of the Morris Ring, dance displays. Victoria Square. Birmingham, 3.30.
Leeds University Open Day, preview to meet poeple behind the Open Day.
Supper at the Tontine Hotel. Peebles, Speaker, Professor David Short. Physician to the Queen. Orgainzed by Christian Viewpoint.

Anniversaries

Births: Martha Graham, choreographer, Pittsburgh, 1839. Deaths: Matteo Ricci, Jesuit missionary in China, China, 1610; William Pitt, 1st Earl of Charham, Prime Minister 1756-61, 1766-68, Hayes. Kent, 1778: Spencer Percival Prime Minister 1809-12, assassinated in the House of Commons by John Bellingham, 1812; Tom Cribb, champion bare-knuckle boxer, London, 1848; Sir John Herschel, astronomer, Collingwood, Kent, 1871: Juan Gris, pioneer of Cubism.

Roads

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London and South-east: M3: A along the Surrey section of the motorway. The north-bound carria-geway will be accommodating two (Frimley) and junction 3 (Lightwater). In addition the entry slip road on to south-bound carriage way at junction 3 will be closed. Expect congestion and approach with care. A113: Temporary lights in Chigwell Road south of Green Lane. A4: Eastbound carriageway reduced at junction of A4 Cromwell Road and Lexham Gardens, Kensington, Nidlands: A34: Roadworks at Tidmington, S of Shipston, War-wickshire. MI: Contrallow between

junctions 16 and 18 (Watford Gap. M45 junction): serious delays. Wales and West: A4: Lane restriction in Hotwell Road, and from Anchor Road/St Georges Road, Bristol, Avon: no right turn into Jacobs Wells Road. A390: Liskeard to Truro Road W of West Tenberger. Taphouse. Cornwall; temporary lights, and at Probus. A470: Cardiff

to Merthyr road at North Road flyover in Cardiff. North: MI: Lane closures north and south-bound between junctions 35 (Rotherham) and junction 37 (Barnsley). A6: Roadworks at New Mills, Derbyshire. Temporary traffic signals and single-lane traffic on Shaw Road, near Arnold Street Oldham: Arnold Street closed.

Scotland: A85: Stop/go boards in Crieff Road, west of Perth City boundary, Perthshire. A737: Out-side lane closed on both carriage-ways at Fergustie, E of Fulbar Road, Paisley: M80: Northbound carriage-way closed at M9 junction 9, way closed at M9 junction 9, Surling diversion operates via the

The pound

Bank Buys 1.58 28.30 82.00 1.84 14.56 8.36 12.23 3.96 156.50 11.16 1.29 Bank Sells 1.50 26.70 78.00 1.77 13.86 7.96 11.63 3.78 146.50 10.56 France Fr Germany DM Greece Dr Hongkong S 1.29 1.23 2450.00 2350.00 331.00 315.00 4.48 4.26 11,28 10.73 200.00 190.00 2.24 2.08 217.75 206.75 Italy Lira Japan Yen Netherlands Gld Ngrway Kr Portugal Esc South Africa Rd Spain Pes 11.15 3.11 1.37 189.00 1.42

6 (c) Sikwood
6 (5) Footloose
7 (7) The Dresser
8 (6) Swann in Love
9 (-) The Trouble with Harry
10 (8) Educating Rita

2 Graystoke: The Legend of Tarzan, Lord of the Apas Terms of Endearment Footloose

Weather forecast

A ridge of high pressure will become established across the British Isles.

6am to midnight

London, SE, E England, East Anglian Sunny intervals with occasional showers near coasts; who N or NE moderate to fresh; max temp 11 to 13C (52 to 55P).

Central S, SW England, E Mildlands, Channel Islands: Sunny periods; wind NE moderate to fresh; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59P).

W Midlands, S, N Wales, NW, central N England: Dry with sunny periods; wind variable light; max temp 13 to 15C (55 to 59P).

59F).

Lake District, Isle of Ran; NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgous, central Highlands, Moray Firth: Dry with surmy periods; wind variable light; max temp 12 to 14C (54 to 57F).

AE, MW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland, Northern Ireland: Dry with bright or surmy periods; wind SW linder. Shetland, Northern Ireland: Dry with bright or surmy periods; wind SW light; max temp 11 to 13F (52 to 55F). Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday; Mostly dry with sunny Intervals but scattered showers in SE. Temperatures pear normal.

SEA PASSAGES: North Sea, Straits of SEA PASSAGES: Worth. See, Stralls of Dover: Wind northessterly moderate or fresh locally strong later, sea moderate locally rough later. English Channel (E): Wind northessterly moderate or fresh, sea moderate. St Georgee Channel: Wind variable light, sea smooth. Irish Sea: Wind variable mainly southerly light, sea smooth.

Full Moon: May 15.

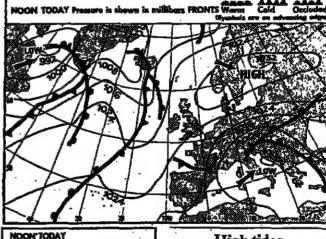
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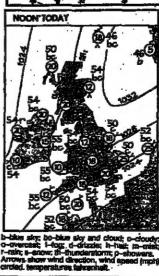
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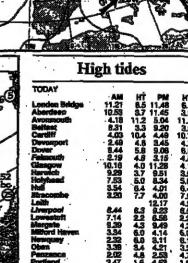
London

Highest and lowest London: The FT Index closed 11.3 down at 884.9.

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Around Britain

Abroad

ACROSS 1 Boundary maker foiled? (6). 5 Spinner loaded to play roulette? 9 See fight in the ring - it's seen in court too (7-3).

10 Second position in play (4). 11 Hold back in arrest mêlée (8). 12 Leaves a fortune herein? (6). 13 10 crazy to make this attempt

15 Stretch out a gentle round (8). 18 Bang on schedule, this (4.4). 19 Distinctive air of Petrarch's topicss lady (4).

21 Astronaut under the typist's thumb? (6). 23 Discharge the conclusion of the errand (8).

25 Dog to keep moving (4). 26 Let down - no tips paid out (10). 27 Star pianist covers the country 28 Ten to one the French break

2 Napoleon on Elba - a one-time

French island (5). 3 Artist studies part of Bra

4 "Yet I, a duli and muddymettled -- " (Hamlet) (6). 5 Bow Street Runners were said to be such fliers (5,10). 6 Harassment to a vixen running

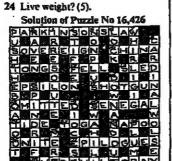
wild (8).

8 Meet in French bar (9). 14 Book design may have strings attached (9). 16 Statesman happy being over-

7 Scales one in twelve (5).

weight? (9). 17 Passage for example out of

Philippines Island (8). 20 Depression shown by one of Cleopatra's pretty boys (6). 22 Fellow holds a point to be



Prize Crossword in The Times tomorrow **CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12**

Food prices

Of the numerous apples available France, Italy. Canada and the United States and our own stored fruit, the one with the most he the New Zealand Gala, A crossbred Delicious and Cox, the result crossed with Golden Delicious, it sells around 40-52 a pound, which is quite expensive, but then good breeding does not come cheap. Cape Grapes are good value at 60-70p a lb and there are early peaches from Israel at 15-25p each.

Salad ingredients are more pleatful with round English and Dutch lettuce from 20-26p a head and Cos, Webbs and Crispa at 30-40p a head. Spring onions retail at 20-28p a bunch, water cress at 24-28p a bunch and good hothouse tomatoes at 60-85p a lb. Asparagus is widely available in the shops now from Spain, the United States and Hungary, as well as our own, which is the best. English Asparagus is 90-180p a lb. depending on thickness.

Beef prices show little change, a few bargains may be found on the cheaper cuts. Home-produced lamb is still expensive, ranging from £1.65 to £2.50 for a whole leg. £1 to £1.60 for shoulder, and loin chops are £1.80 to £2.84 a lb. Pork prices are stable areast from loin chops. £1.80 to £2.84 a lb. Pork prices are stable apart from loin chops, up a penny a lb. It seems strange, then, that bacon wholesale prices are going up by a further £40 a tonne form next week, on top of the £30 a tonne two weeks ago. Some good buys for this weekend are Tesco's New Zealand lamb shoulder at 68p a lb.

The papers

The Daily Mirror points out the discrepancy between Patrick Jen-kin's claim that the Prime Minister may soon visit Liverpool and her office's denial. It says: That would be a pity. The Prime Minister has only been there once in five years. It is time she went again. Time to look is time she went again. Time to look at Merseyside's appalling unemployment problem and at the thousands of youngsters there who have never worked and have little prospect of evey doing so. Time to talk to the city councillors who are threatening to break the law and bring in a budget which could bankrupt the city because they can't face up to the alternative. It is also time she looked again at what her government is doing to destroy local councils, including the aboltion of Merseyside's Metropolitan Council, for no better reason than that they are Labour-controlled."

Top films

Top box office films in London:

1 (1) Greysloke: The Legend
Tarzan, Lord of the Apes
2 (~) The Dead Zone (3) Yenti (2) Terms of Ende

Sweden Kr Switzerland Fr USA \$

Retail Price Index: 345.1.

Parliament today

ms (9.30): Debate